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Where have they gone to—the little girls,
With natural manners and natural curls,
Who love their dollies and like the toys
And talk of something besides the boys?

Little old women in plenty I find,
Mature of manners and old of mind;
Little old flirts who talk of their "beaus,"
And vie with each other in stylish clothes.

Once, in the beautiful long ago,
Some dear little children I used to know;
Girls who were merry as lambs at play,
And laughed and rollicked the livelong day.

Where have they gone to? If you see
One of them anywhere, send her to me.
I would give a medal of purest gold
To one of these dear little girls of old.

—Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

### A Christmas Bell.

Swing wide! send forth your swelling notes, sweet bells!
Once more 'tis Christmas-tide o'er all the earth;
No silver throat so sweet a story tells:
The Christ was born—the stars sang at his birth;
Celestial choirs the anthem rolled along,
And angel hosts gave chorus to the song.

It would almost savor of sacrilege to declare that the Christmas tree has grown tiresome, but occasionally there are souls brave enough to say so. For those who feel that way about it, a welcome substitute is found in the Christmas bell, which is made of three or more hoops of graded sizes. These hoops are wreathed and hung, the smallest at the top, the next in size just below it and so on, so as to give the effect of a suspended bell. The ropes or cords by which the hoops are connected and hung, are wound with green. At the top they are brought together and fastened to a ring in the ceiling. Such hoops may be had of a cooper are easy of adjustment and the effect is very pleasing. The same ornaments used to adorn the regulation tree are displayed on the hoops, and the gifts are attached by narrow ribbons, which are cut when the packages are removed. A Japanese lantern hung in the center of the bell is filled with mottoes, bonbons, etc., and when the gifts have all been distributed a blow from a cane breaks the paper sides of the lantern, and a shower of sweets makes glad the hearts of the wee folk of the party. If the lantern is filled with flowers, the downpour is equally pleasing and rather daintier.

### Joy of The Little Ones.

Christmas is the day of the little folks. To them the old customs are not beginning to lose attractiveness. As long as Santa Claus remembers to drive his sleigh over the roofs and fills the stockings at the chimney corner, so long as Christmas trees blossom with marvelous fruit, and Father Christmas with flowing beard and deep-toned voice is there to take the toys from the branches, so long is the Yuletide season a magic one to the children. Holidays and presents, parties and new dresses, toys and candies, nuts, oranges, colored tapers and waxen floors—it is fairyland come anew, and the children love it.

### THE CHRISTMAS DINNER.

**A Palatable Menu With Recipes for the Odd Dishes.**

In homes where Christmas is considered the high and holy festival of the year all energies are directed towards its proper celebration. The house is redolent with the odor of pines; wreaths are hung in the windows and every outward and visible sign is made to emphasize the nature of the festival. The table is in holiday trim and the cooking savors of the general rejoicing. Dishes that never appear at any other time now find a place on the menu. Holly and mistletoe are used for the table decoration and many of the dishes are wreathed with foliage. The Christmas dinner has always its plum pudding crowned with a sprig of holly. The following menu and recipes may be of assistance:

Oyster cocktails.
Salted almonds. Celery.
Cream of barley soup.
Toasted crackers. Halibut timbales.
Potato balls with cream sauce.
Roast turkey with chestnut stuffing.
Cranberry jelly.
Sweet potatoes. Cauliflower au gratin.
Roman punch
Broiled squabs on fried mush.
Lettuce and radish salad,
Roquefort cheese. Wafers.
Mince pie. Pumpkin pie.
Frozen plum pudding.
Coffee. Bonbons.

Oyster cocktails are served in ice shells made for this purpose or in large claret glasses. Put five small oysters into each glass. For one dozen plates allow seven teaspoonfuls each of prepared horse radish, tomato catsup and vinegar, ten teaspoonfuls of lemon juice and one of Tobasco sauce. Thoroughly mix this dressing and put an equal quantity into each glass. Both oysters and dressing should be very cold.

To make the chestnut stuffing for turkey, secure one quart of large French chestnuts, shell them and cook them in boiling water until the skins are loosened. Remove the brown skins and again put the nuts into boiling water and cook them until they are tender. While the nuts are still hot rub them through a very coarse sieve or colander. Mix with the sifted nuts a very few bread crumbs and two tablespoonfuls of melted butter, and season with salt and pepper. Make the mixture moist with a little sweet cream and fill the turkey, but do not press the stuffing in closely; and the bird is ready to roast.

### DANGER IN THE GIFT.

Maude—I would like to look at some canes.

Dealer—Yes, Miss. What kind of a head do you want?

Maude—I'm not particular. Only it must be of a material that will not make him sick at the stomach.

I heard the bells on Christmas Day,
Their old, familiar carols play,
And wild and sweet
The words repeat,
Of peace on earth, good will to men!


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Plain or silver mounted, enameled steel rod, tassel and cover, $1.10, or $1.25, $1.50, $1.75, $2.00, $3.00 or $3.75.

SILK HANDKERCHIEFS.
Plain or fancy border, Pongee, 19c. Finer grades, 39c and 75c. Initial silk, fine quality, 39c.

SILK MUFFLERS,
39c, 75c, $1.25, $1.50, $2.25.

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Plain or silver mounted, 50c, 75c, $1.00 and $1.25, from 75c to $2.

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Fine kid, 69c, or 79c, $1.00 and $1.25. Mocha, reindeer, astrakan, lined or unlined same prices.

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$4.50 and $8.50, from $7.50 and $12.00.

Night robes, plain or embroidered front, 45c, 59c, and 79c. Sweaters, plain, with large sailor collar, or turtle, maroon with lemon stripe, black with orange stripe, blue with white stripe, or all the plain colors, men or boys, 79c, $1.20, $1.50. Golf hose, 39c, 59c, all sizes and colors. Neckwear—bows, ties, imperials, four-in-hands, 19c, 39c. Children's tams or skating toques, 19c or 39c. Fine suspenders, plain or fancy, 19c, 39c and 59c. Trunks, valises, traveling bags, 75c to $20.00. White and fancy shirts, 39c, 69c, 79c.

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## JOSEPH GOLDSMITH, TRUSTEE.


### K. G. E's at Benton.

Theta Castle No. 276 Knights of the Golden Eagle, of this town went to Benton by special train last Thursday night. The number who went was probably about sixty, and all had a delightful time. They arrived at Benton at eight o'clock, where they were met by the Committee in charge of the arrangements and conducted to the hall. After conferring the degrees on the applicants for membership, they were invited to H. A. Kemp's, where all sat down to a table laden with good things. After all had done justice to the elegantly prepared supper, and a vote of thanks given to the Eagles of Benton for their very kind treatment, all made their way to the station, boarded the train and arrived home at 2.30, Friday morning feeling more than repaid for their trip.

### Verdict for Ash Bros.

$3600 damages to the plaintiff, was the verdict returned by the jury in the case of Ash Bros. vs. the Berwick Water Co., at the trial in Wilkesbarre on Friday morning. The case which was for damages for diversion of water power, was removed to Wilkesbarre for trial from the courts of Columbia County. At the first trial in this county, the jury gave a verdict for the plaintiff of $6500, for damages, which the court cut down to $4000. The Water Company secured a new trial and a change of venue, which resulted as above stated.

Earl Hess, one of Espy's most popular young men, died last Saturday morning from what is supposed to have been internal hemorrhages. For some time he had been troubled with frequent bleeding of the nose, which soon so seriously affected and weakened him that he was compelled to abandon his work at Dr. Redeker's in this place, and return to his home in Espy. He however, grew rapidly worse, the bleedings being with him almost constantly, and although every available means were used to save his life, all were in vain. Funeral services were held on Tuesday of this week. He was in his 17th year.

Ashland expects to get a new Reading Depot.

### NORMALS AT WASHINGTON.

The following appeared in last Wednesday's issue of the *Post*, published at Washington, D. C. :—

"About the finest collection of bright young faces that have brightened any Washington hotel for a long time can be seen at the Oxford, where over 150 young ladies and gentlemen, students of the State Normal School at Bloomsburg, Pa., are domiciled. They are under the fatherly care of Dr. J. P. Welsh, President of the institution, and are having a happy time inspecting the sights of Washington.

### BASKET BALL.

The basket ball season will open next Tuesday evening in the Normal gymnasium, with a game between Danville and W. H. Eyer's Bloomsburg team. Danville is said to have a strong aggregation this year, and a good game may be expected. The Normal is having a vacation and the accommodations for the down town will be all the better. The diagram will open at Slate's, where seats can be reserved.

There will be services in St. Paul's church on Christmas morning at ten o'clock. The choir has been making special preparation of a musical program, which will include Jackson's Te Deum, a new Jubilate, and an anthem "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel," introducing the old hymn "Adeste Fideles," with beautiful effect. The offertory will go to the Christmas fund, and will be applied to relief of the families of disabled and deceased clergymen in the diocese.

Everett Warren, Esq., of Scranton, was admitted to the bar of this county last Thursday. He is one of the counsel in the suit of Martha Case against the D. L. & W. R. R. Co. Owing to the fact that Mr. Scarlet, one of the counsel for Mrs. Case, was unable to get here, being engaged in a trial at Wilkes-Barre, this suit was continued, and all the jurors discharged for the week on Thursday.

Quite a number attended the Poverty Social at the Carpet Mill, on Friday night.


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### A SONG

Laugh at loving if you will,
But no laughing Love can kill!
Still he reigns in maidens' eyes,
Conquers with a sweet surprise,
And still, though all the world is dark and sleeps,
Love like a sunbeam through the shadow creeps,
And gentle hearts in warmest passion steeps.

Cities he will overskip,
For he loves a country lip
That no shame nor lying sears,
And an eye undimmed by tears:
So oft you'll find him at the country fairs,
Where kirtled Prudence sells her homely wares,
Fresh crocks of butter or ripe Katherine pears.

Laugh at loving as you may,
Love will laugh another day!
If he laugh not, you shall weep
For his favor ere you sleep!
Bring to his alter, then—in time be wise—
Bring Venus' apples, that poor lover's prize,
And pansies, softer than their mistress' eyes!

—F. B. Money-Coutts.

## She Wouldn't Tell.

To this day I live in perpetual fear of meeting him, indeed I am continually haunted with the belief that he is scouring the earth for me, thirsting for revenge, and that is why I shun the haunts of men and live a solitary, secluded life, only venturing out at dusk and wearing a beard (which doesn't suit me) and blue glasses (which I don't need) as a means of disguise.

Of course it should never have happened. I admit that. It began with a very simple mistake on my part. I was lounging on the pier at Eastsea one morning in September, listening to the "Grand Selection from the Bohemian Girl" (they play this every day at Eastsea) and watching the promenaders, when my eyes fell on a young lady who was sitting in a quiet corner reading a novel.

I could not see her face, for it was hidden by a crimson parasol, but her general appearance at once told me that it was Flo Beresford, one of the prettiest girls I know.

So absorbed was she in her book that she did not hear me approach, and to attract her attention (I know her very well I playfully tapped the sunshade with my paper. She looked up in a moment, and then, to my horror, I saw I had made a mistake—it was not Flo, but a stranger.

I stood paralyzed, trying to frame an apology, but before I could get the words out I was amazed to see a lovely smile of evident recognition, and a still lovelier blush overspread a charming face.

"George!" she cried in a joyous tone "This is a surprise! When did you come? But there, sit down."

Now I know that this was where I made the fatal error. I know I ought to have undeceived her, to have murmured a few words of apology, raised my cap and gone away, but I did not do this. She drew her skirts aside and I sat down.

"What made you come so—so suddenly?" she said.

"What?" then recovering myself, "Why you, of course." She blushed divinely.

"Couldn't you wait for my answer?" she murmured softly.

"No," I said, "I couldn't."

She turned over the pages of her novel in abstracted fashion. On the flyleaf I caught sight of some writing. "To Lucy from George," and the date.

Then a sudden inspiration struck me. I bent my head close to hers, so close that a stray tendril of her brown hair brushed my cheek.

"Lucy," I whispered, almost putting my lips to her shell-like little ear, "what is your answer?"

She laughed.

"Wouldn't you like to know?" she said, "I posted the letter this morning."

"In—in answer to my letter?" I put in, taking a step in the dark.

"Yes, in answer to your letter. And you'd have had it to-night."

"And as it is I've missed it."

"Yes, you've missed it."

"But you'll tell me what—what you said?"

"I've half a mind not to—just to tease you," she murmured.

"Do you want to drive me distracted?" I cried.

A ripple of laughter came from her rosy lips.

"You see if you'd only waited."

"But I —I couldn't wait. Lucy, you will tell me?"

"Not—not now."

"When?"

"To—to-night perhaps."

"Here?"

"Yes, here."

Then I wondered what it was he had asked her. It seemed to me that it could only be one thing, but—Ah! I had it.

"Have you kept my letter?', I asked.

"Kept it? O, George—yes. Why, I have it here," putting her hand to her breast.

"Just—er—let me have a look at it a moment."

"Let you? O, so you want to draw back, do you? Well, you can if you—"

"My darling, I—I only wanted to see if I had spelt necessary with one c or two."

"Necessary?" she said. "Why, there's no such word in the letter."

"Isn't there?" I murmured. "Let me see."

Yes, I read it, but I don't think it would be right to let any one else do so. My theory was correct, however.

"I am wrong," I said, as I returned it to her. "I didn't use the word."

"I knew you didn't."

We talked of many things after that. She told me about her mother, who was an invalid, it appeared.

"And I shan't be able to come out this afternoon," she said, "but you'll come up and see mama?"

"Yes," I said, "but, do you know—it's very funny—but, the fact is, I've actually forgotten where you are staying. Ha! ha!"

"O, you stupid boy! South Parade, of course."

"Of course. Number?"

"Eleven."

"To be sure."

"Mama will be so pleased to see you."

"I shall be pleased to see mama," I responded.

I had resolved to let the matter go no further. Up to this point it had simply been a very innocent joke. But it should end.

Hang it! you know, it wasn't right. In fact, it was dishonorable. I—well, then I thought of her answer and what it was likely to be, and—well, at 3 o'clock I was sitting in the front drawingroom at No. 11, sipping tea and talking to a very charming old lady who welcomed me as—a son.

Lucy accompanied me to the door when I took my leave.

"What time shall I call for you?" I asked.

"Seven."

I was there at 7. She was ready. She put her arm through mine quite confidingly and we walked down the pier.

One corner was vacant and we sat down. Her eyes were very bright, and her cheeks were flushed.

"Have you forgotten?" I murmured as I took her hand.

"Forgotten?"

"Your answer."

She was silent.

"Lucy, what is it? Speak! This—this suspense is killing me."

I think I did it pretty well. There was a decided thrill of genuine passion in my voice. The fact is, I believe I loved her.

"It's—it's a word of th—three letters," she murmured.

"Of three—"

"George is my hat on straight?"

I saw her home, of course, and we lingered at the gate another half hour.

Then I suddenly felt the pressure of her lips to mine, and the next moment she had vanished.

Alas! I never saw her again. I should have met her on the pier the next morning, but I did not do so. I don't think—I say I don't think—I should have done so in any case—but the real reason why I didn't was this:

As I came down the next morning I met a gentleman on the stairs who was so like me that we might have been twins.

What did I do? Why, promptly packed my portmanteau and took train to a remote village in Scotland. I often wonder now if he ever found out.—St Paul's.

### Prosperity Vs. Crime.

The Rev. Samuel G. Smith, of the Minnesota State University, who was one of the speakers at the National Prison Congress, held in Milwaukee, brought out the interesting fact that crime is more prevalent in times of prosperity than during a time of business depression. This, he added, was in part explained by the fact that during times of prosperity drunkness and dissipation led up to the committing of crimes. He said that the proposition to the effect that crime increased in the United States, while it had decreased in Europe, was entirely a fallacy. His observation had shown him that the greatest number of crimes were committed by the most advanced and morally most progressive nations. For instance, the Englishman was much more addicted to crime than the East Indian. This was due to the fact that the East Indian was one of an old nation, satisfied to go along in his established way. He did not take to drink, and as a result did not seek the paths which led away from law and order.

### One Perfect Woman.

At a recent prayer gathering, at which a prominent banker was present a laughable incident took place. The minister, turning to the gentlemen present, asked: "Dear brethren, did any of you ever know or hear of a perfect man?" The divine paused a few moments, then repeated the question and, receiving no answer, turned to the females present and asked: "Dear sisters, did any of you ever hear of a perfect woman?" He repeated the question a second time, when a tall, lean, patient female arose and looked the minister straight in the face. For a moment he was incredulous, but, recovering his sang froid, he asked: "Did you ever hear of a perfect woman, sister?" He did not wait long for the answer: "I did, but only one. It was my husband's first wife."

### In North Carolina.

The speakers called each others liars with almost the alacrity that they would call each other gentlemen. One candidate charged the other with being helplessly drunk, while the other charged his adversary with having failed three times and becoming wealthier on the occasion of each failure. A Governor charged insurance agents with "doing the same as stealing money." A senatorial candidate referred to his adversary as being a jumping jack, a "toad," and unworthy to breathe the 'fair name' of a young lady," and finally said of a Governor, "Watch him; he has been in a court room before and may yet be in the dock."—Charleston News and Courier.

### In Polar Regions.

Some curious details of life in the polar regions have been obtained from members of the Nansen expedition. They all dwell on the feelings of delight which they experienced in once more seeing other human beings. They become so tired of seeing the same faces and hearing the same voices, day after day, that in the end a feeling of irritation was produced. Finding it almost impossible to endure the sight of one another, they would set off on long walks over the ice, each man by himself. It was an astonishing thing, one man said, to see his comrades striding away over the ice from the ship, each in a different direction and carefully avoiding his fellows.

### A Paper En Route.

Two French newspaper men who started without a cent from Paris a year and a half ago to go around the world, earning their way by disposing of articles and pictures to the newspapers of the towns they visit, have got as far as Hong Kong. From time to time they print a paper called En Route, gotten up entirely by themselves. The number made up at Bombay was written in English, French and Gujerati.

### The Deadly Bargain.

He—Shall we be able to economize?

She—I think so. At any rate I passed two bargain sales to-day without stopping.—Detroit Free Press.

### DELAYS ARE DANGEROUS.

The Young Girl Could Not Wait Any Longer.

"I saw it all."

In the richly appointed parlor of the Plankwater residence a young man paced rapidly to and fro, his dark, handsome face ruffled with the great conflict that raged within. Pausing at length in front of the divan where leaned with half-indifferent pose the form of a strikingly pretty girl, he continued:

"Yes, I saw it all. Listen, Mabel Plankwater. I loved you. When you the first time I looked into your eyes, full, it seemed to me, of the frank intensity of a young girl's nature, I felt that I could trust you. And so I gave you all the best love that was in my heart, and during the long weeks that I have called upon you, this love each day took on an added growth, a new development. And you? How did you respond to my attentions? By all those signs which a woman knows so well to convey you taught me to believe that my passion had found an answering echo in your heart, and now I find that the girl I have loved has deceived me. Yes; for there is no other word, I regret to say, that I can fittingly use. Let me explain. You may wonder why I did not come last night. I did, but you did not know it. At half-past 8 I mounted the steps of this house. I was about to ring, when through the half-open curtain I saw you in the front room with another man. I saw him kiss you, and then, overcome with the sudden shock, I turned and left the house. Do you dare deny that what I saw is so?"

"Certainly not," nonchalantly replied his companion, lifting the lid from her bon-bon box. "But you mustn't blame me. It was your own fault."

"My own fault," repeated the other. "Why was it my own fault?"

"Simply because," replied the fair young creature, "you promised to be here at 8 o'clock. You don't suppose I could wait any longer, do you?"—World.

### Inflation.

He starts in to inflate his tire,
But glances at the window higher.

He sees a face he must admire,
And you see what happens to the tire

### Not "Susie" After All.

Two young fellows, partners in the tea trade, were the best of friends, and their intimacy extended to personal as well as to business matters.

One of them, a simple-minded fellow was a bachelor, and was in the habit of reading to his partner extracts from letters of an ardent and affectionate nature from a lady in the north of England, who signed herself "Susie."

The married one went to China for twelve months, and returned just in time to attend the wedding of his partner.

"I hardly feel like a stranger," he said, in his sweetest tones, addressing the bride. "In fact, I feel as though I ought to be well acquainted with my partner's wife, since he has so often done me the honor to read to me extracts of his dear Susie's letters."

The faces of the husband and the speaker were studies, as the bride drew herself up, and said, emphatically and distinctly:

"I beg your pardon—my name is Helen!"

### It Arrived on Time.

"Are you the engineer?" asked the romantic young lady, as she walked up the platform to the locomotive and smiled on the man looking out of the cab window.

"Yes'm," was the curt reply.

"You hold the lives of all the passengers in your hands?"

"Exactly, miss."

"And you feel the fearful responsibility?"

"I do."

"And you will—will?"

"Just so. I've got a $2 dog back there in the baggage car which I'm taking home, and I shall take the most extraordinary precautions to run this train safely into Chicago."—World.

### Forethought.

Cooney Cohen—Mein sohn, vhy did you guarantee dot overcoad to last Mr. Nixy as long as he lives?

Young Cohen—Fader, he has heart disease—he dies any minute!—Harlem Life.

### Domestic Cruelty.

"So Mrs. Bilker has got a divorce?"

"Yes; she discovered that Mr. Bilker had been hiding his small change every night under a flower-pot in the back yard."—Chicago Record.

### America in the Skies.

Ef Noay had lived in this great and glorious Republic of ourn the chances air thar wouldn't 'a' been any colors in the rainbow except red, whilte and blue.—Truth.

### Political Prophecy.

Burke has credit for political prophecy. No great foresight was required to surmise that anarchy would end in military despotism. The example of Cromwell was suggestive. Burke fancied at one time that the military power of France would depart. He fancied that the departments would become so many separate republics and throw off the yoke of the central government. He fancied that there would be a domination of bankers. The sphere in which he is a real prophet is not the political, but the ethical. He did discern moral tendencies and consequences discernible by no ordinary eye. In a passage of his letters he traces with admirable skill and truth the connection between the loose sentimentality of Rousseauism and the indulgence of murderous passions in the reign of terror.

That Burke, when he wrote the "Reflections on the French Revolution," though the victim of a temporary frenzy, was in no other sense mad is proved, if proof were needed, by the appearance two years after of the letter to Sir Hercules Langrishe on the removal of the disabilities of Irish Catholics, a production as sane, as liberal and as wise as anything he ever wrote. His conduct in championing the Catholic claims was the more chivalrous because his Catholic connection had through life exposed him to calumny and suspicion. There is some reason for believing that his arguments at the time made a favorable impression upon George III, whose mind perhaps was opened to them by his alliance with Catholic monarchies against the atheist republic. In the end other influences unhappily prevailed, and the country rues at the present hour the rejection of Burke's policy of Catholic emancipation.—*Cornhill Magazine.*

### Clover of Three Leaves.

The clover of three leaves is in Ireland considered an emblem of the Trinity, from the tradition that St. Patrick used it while preaching to confute the argument of a heathen. "How," said the man, "can there be three gods in one and one in three." St. Patrick stooped and picked up a shamrock growing at his feet. "Here," he said, "are three in one and one in three." Since that day the shamrock has been the national plant of the Emerald Isle.


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# WASHINGTON.

From our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18th, 1896.

Senator Vest has lost none of his old-time power of expression, nor any of his confidence in the principles for which he has been fighting so long. He made this plain in a short speech he delivered this week. Although he based his remarks upon the Dingley bill, he prefaced them by saying that he knew it was a dead issue and that he only did so because many well-meaning people were urging Congress to act upon it. Later, the death of the Dingley bill was announced by Sherman. Apropos to the late campaign, Mr. Vest said: "While I may be subjected to the charge of being a lunatic, an anarchist and a repudiator, I assert that the only relief for the people is to give them more money. If we are lunatics and anarchists because we ask for the opening of the mints to the free coinage of silver, then over six million American freemen who voted for Wm. J. Bryan are lunatics, and may God help the Republic! But it is a vile slander. The men who supported the great leader, Wm. J. Bryan, are as loyal and as intelligent a body of men as any in this country. The gold standard, which is the root of this evil, is the vilest monopoly ever conceived in the mind of mortal man."

The whole Cuban business was virtually postponed until January when the Senate adopted Senator Morgan's resolution asking the President to furnish all the information about the present situation in Cuba he has, as President Cleveland is hunting on the coast of South Carolina and Congress has already adopted a resolution providing for a recess from Dec. 22 to Jan. 5. The speeches made on the subject in the House and Senate have been about as effective as the excited meetings held throughout the country.

The executive committee of the Bimetallic Union has been here for several days, preparing to continue the educational work for silver. All the prominent silver men in Congress have been conferring with members of the committee at different times, but there has been no single meeting of all the silver men yet.

Although Senator Allen's resolution for the appointment of a Senate committee to investigate the alleged wholesale use of money in the late National campaign was offered without consultation with Democrats, its spirit meets their approbation. Democrats have ever since the remarkable results of the election in a number of states were announced been anxious to investigate the why and wherefore of the abnormal increase in the total vote cast. Senator Allen had read in connection with his resolution a list of states in which Bryan's vote largely exceeded the winning vote of 1892 and yet he was defeated by heavy majorities. Senator Gorman says he is certain that the total alleged vote of Maryland was at least 20,000 in excess of the adult male population on the first of last January, and he would like nothing better than to find out where the excess came from. According to some of the best Parliamentarians, Mr. Allen's resolutions will have to be changed a little in order to be effective. For instance, Senator Morgan said: "If Senator Allen makes his resolution joint, and it should pass the Senate and House, there would be no doubt of the authority of Congress to probe the matter to its furthest depth. The Senate alone, as I view it, cannot enquire into an election in a state, or even into the election of a President."

It is not probable that Secretary Francis, whose nomination has not yet been acted upon by the Senate, will be among those which will be left pigeon-holed when the Fifty-fourth Congress expires at noon on the 3rd of next March, although it is altogether out of the usual for action to be deferred on a Cabinet nomination. It is a good 16 to 1 bet that the nominations of a considerable number of gold Democrats will be killed by non-action.

Representative McMillin, the ranking Democratic member of the House Ways and Means committee, says of the reckless haste of the Republicans in getting a tariff bill ready for the extra session of Congress: "The Republicans are determined to return to the old principle of high protection. They are not satisfied either with the present law or the Dingley bill. They propose to again try to increase wealth by increasing taxes. Such legislation is not needed in the least. There are now in the Treasury $230,000,000, or 130,000,000 in excess of the $100,000,000 gold reserve. There is no way to get this back into circulation, except by buying bonds or paying it out for current expenses. There is no excuse for holding a sum in excess of the reserve, and if revenues are increased before it is absorbed by government expenses that will be the result. With economy in expenditures Mr. McKinley's administration would be more than half out before this $130,000,000 would be exhausted, even if the present rate of deficiency continued, which is not probable. The surplus in the Treasury in excess of the reserve amounts to $9 for every family in the United States. This put back into circulation would tend to quicken business and ought not to be held out of circulation permanently."


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### From Their Point of View.

There's a good bit in being "educated up" to a thing after all. "Where be ye goin to hang the little bats, ma'am?" asked a maid of her mistress during a post housecleaning rearrangement of pictures and furniture the other day. And upon inquiry "the little bats" proved to be nothing more or less than Raphael's Sistine Madonna cherubs. It was another maid who always referred to her mistress' cherished cast of the Parthenon's "Three Fates" as "them dogs." "Well, I don't wonder," remarked the small boy of the family upon learning of the misnomer. "Smashed up old thing like that, that you can't make head or tail of! I don't see how you can tell what they are yourself, auntie." An irreverent man in the Louvre supplied the very tassel to the cap of the climax of this sort of thing. It was in that Mecca of all art lovers the world over, the alcove sacred to the Venus of Milo, and everybody was attitudinizing in that worshipful way that is somehow inevitable to the spot. The man walked briskly in, at one sweeping glance "took in"—as he would have said—the statue and the everybodies and then in loud, clear tones remarked, "Well, for my part, I prefer a woman with arms."—*New York Sun.*


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### The Center of Population.

In calculating the center of population of our country, the census officials consider the whole face of the United States a plain surface, itself without weight, but capable of sustaining weight. In making this calculation they consider the country as being levelled with its inhabitants in number and position as they are found, each individual being assumed to be of equal weight, and, consequently, to exert pressure on the pivotal point directly proportionate to his distance therefrom. The pivotal point is now, or was in 1890, at a place twenty miles east of Columbus, Ind. Geographically the center of population in 1890 was at a place which would be said to be in north latitude 39 deg. 11 m. 9 s., west longitude 85 deg. 32 m. 9 s.

In 1890, at the time of taking the first census, the center of population was at a spot twenty.three miles east of Baltimore, Md. During the 100 years that have elapsed between that time and the time of the taking of the census of 1890, the center of population moved westward exactly 505½ miles.—St. Louis *Republic.*

The January *Demorest's* keeps to its usual high standard of fiction; Gilbert Parker contributes an intensely interesting story, "The Gift of the Simple King"; Margaret Sutton Briscoe concludes her sprightly play, "A Dinner Engagement" and in "Our Girls" department is a humorous sketch, "The Curing of the College Graduate" by J. Y. Newcomb.

You don't have to be an artist to draw references.

### THE WORLD'S HOLIDAYS.

July 24th, Pioneer Day, is a holiday in Utah.

Sunday is a legal holiday in all the States.

May 10th, is Memorial Day in North Carolina, and is a holiday.

September 9th, Admission Day, is observed as a legal holiday in California.

March 4th, is a legal holiday in New Orleans. It is called Firemen's Day.

April 26th, Memorial Day, is observed in the states of Alabama and Georgia.

July 4th, Independence Day, is a legal holiday in all the states of the Union.

April 21st, the anniversary of the great battle of San Jacinto, is a Texan holiday.

Jubilees in the Roman church were instituted by Pope Boniface VIII, in 1300.

February 6th, Mardi Gras, has been made a holiday in Louisiana and also in Alabama.

In many parts of rural England Morris dances are still popular at Whitsuntide.

June 3rd, the birthday of Jefferson Davis, has been made a legal holiday in Florida.

February 12th, the birthday of President Lincoln, has been made a legal holiday in Illinois.

A midwinter festival was known and observed in Europe long before the Christian era.

October 31st, the day on which Nevada was admitted into the Union, is a legal holiday in that state.

In almost all countries the birthday of the reigning sovereign is regarded as a popular holiday.

Every Saturday afternoon is a legal holiday in New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Maryland.

New Year's day is a legal holiday in all the states but Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Rhode Island.

Fast days whenever appointed by the President of the United States are legal holidays in all the states.

Many towns in Europe have local holidays, commemorative of some important event in their history.

"The Feast of the Supreme Being" was a holiday established by the French Convention for June 8, 1794.

The greatest celebration of the Feast of Tabernacles was held B. C. 1004 at the dedication of Solomon's Temple.

The most important annual holiday at Babylon was in honor of Bel or Belus. It was celebrated with human sacrifices.

Bank holidays in Scotland are New Year's Day, Christmas Day, Good Friday and the first Mondays in May and August..

May 20th, the anniversary of the singing of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence, is a legal holiday in North Carolina.

"The Feast of Fools" was the name given by the monks to the Christian holiday which took the place of the Saturnalia.

The British and German Druids had a festival that nearly corresponded, in the time of its observance, to our Christmas season.

December 25th, Christmas Day, is a legal holiday in all the states, and in South Carolina the two following days are also holidays.

The burning of the yule log in England is a relic of the Scandinavian worship of the God Thor. His feast was called Yule, or Yuletide.

The legal holidays in Massachusetts are Washington's Birthday, Patriot's Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas.

### All White Cats Deaf.

"Though I had often heard of it, I never was fully satisfied that all white cats are naturally deaf until recently," said a scientific gentleman who devotes considerable of his time to experimenting with the lower order of animals. "I was aware that Professor Bell, in his original experiments in connection with the telephone, had ascertained and stated that his experience with white cats was that they were all either deaf or very deficient in hearing, and that other experimenters in the same direction had reached similar conclusions. To satisfy myself I recently secured in all twenty-three white cats, and experimented on them, one at a time.

"In every case I found them stone deaf. In carrying the experiment further, I found that white dogs and white horses are deficient in hearing, and that many of them are entirely deaf. So are white rats and white mice. I am confident I do not overstate it in regard to white cats, though I have only experimented with twenty-three, and, of course, can only speak positively in regard to them. I don't hazard much, however, when I make the bold statement that all white cats are deaf."—*Washington Star.*


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## YOUNG GIRLS.

**Their Conduct and Health Often Mystifies Their Mothers.**

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absorbed, and heedless of things going on around them. Sometimes they complain of pain in lower parts of body, flushes of heat in head, cold feet, etc.

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### Mrs. Rorer Stops Her Magazine.

Mrs. Rorer's magazine, *Household News*, has been absorbed by *The Ladies' Home Journal* in order to make it possible for Mrs. Rorer to form an exclusive editorial connection with the latter magazine. All of Mrs. Rorer's literary work will hereafter appear exclusively in the *Journal*, of whose domestic department she will have entire charge. Several pages of the magazine will be given her each month, and in these she will begin by giving a new series of simple cooking lessons, to be followed by domestic lessons treating separately the care and arrangement of each room in a house.

While W. D. Workman and little son, of Lock Haven, was driving down Bald Eagle Valley, about three miles east of Beech Creek borough, last week, they saw a deer coming through the fields towards them. Mr. Workman stopped his horse and got out of the wagon and as the deer leaped over the fence he caught it around the neck. In the struggle for supremacy Mr. Workman gained the day and succeeded in throwing the deer and holding it with his knee and one hand until he managed to get his knife out of his pocket and opening it with his teeth he cut the deer's throat. Workman was mud from head to foot as the road was in terrible condition where the struggle ensued. The deer weighed 120 pounds.—*Jersey Shore Spirit.*

Capitalists are planning a seventy-two story building, to be erected on the corner of Tenth Avenue and Twenty-fifth street, New York City. Seven stories would be under ground and six in a cupola, leaving fifty-nine in the main building. The structure would be 108 feet square and contain 5,900 rooms and five large stores. If such a building as this is actually put up it would be the tallest in the world, overtopping even the highest monuments. The occupants of the higher stories would consider themselves "up in the world."—*Evening Times*, Cumberland, Md.

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## Pennsylvania Railroad

**Time Table in effect Nov. 15, '96.**

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| | A. M. | A. M. | P. M. | P. M. |
| Scranton(D & H)lv | 6 45 | † 9 38 | † 2 28 | † 4 41 |
| Pittston " " | 7 08 | †10 00 | † 2 50 | 5 06 |
| | A. M. | A. M. | P. M. | P. M. |
| Wilkesbarre....lv | † 7 30 | †10 15 | † 3 15 | † 6 00 |
| Plym'th Ferry " | † 7 38 | 10 21 | † 3 27 | † 6 08 |
| Nanticoke....." | 7 46 | 10 27 | 3 39 | 6 15 |
| Mocanaqua....." | 8 04 | 10 45 | 3 47 | 6 35 |
| Wapwallopen." | 8 12 | 10 56 | 3 57 | 6 45 |
| Nescopeck .... ar | 8 24 | 11 10 | 4 08 | 6 58 |
| | A. M. | A. M. | P. M. | |
| Pottsville. ....lv | † 6 00 | † 9 05 | † 1 50 | ..... |
| Hazleton ..... " | 7 10 | 11 05 | 3 04 | ..... |
| Tomhicken..... " | 7 30 | 11 25 | 3 22 | ..... |
| Fern Glen..... " | 7 38 | 11 34 | 3 31 | ..... |
| Rock Glen ..... " | 7 43 | 11 40 | † 3 39 | ..... |
| Nescopeck..... ar | 8 07 | ..... | 4 05 | ..... |
| | A. M. | A. M. | P. M. | |
| Nescopeck.....lv | † 8 24 | †11 10 | 4 05 | ..... |
| Creasy ..... " | 8 33 | Via | 4 17 | ..... |
| Espy Ferry..... " | † 8 43 | Rock | † 4 27 | ..... |
| E. Bloomsburg" | 8 47 | Glen | 4 32 | ..... |
| | | P. M. | | |
| Catawissa..... ar | 8 55 | 12 18 | 4 39 | ..... |
| Catawissa..... lv | 8 55 | 12 18 | 4 39 | ..... |
| S. Danville..... " | 9 14 | 12 34 | 4 57 | ..... |
| Sunbury....." | 9 35 | 12 55 | 5 20 | ..... |
| | A. M. | P. M. | P. M. | |
| Sunbury..... lv | † 9 43 | † 1 00 | † 5 40 | ..... |
| Lewisburg ....ar | 10 15 | 1 45 | 6 10 | ..... |
| Milton ..... " | 10 07 | 1 59 | 6 06 | ..... |
| Williamsport." | 11 00 | 2 20 | 7 00 | ..... |
| Lock Haven..." | 12 05 | 3 32 | 8 00 | ..... |
| Renovo ..... " | P. M. | 4 33 | 9 00 | ..... |
| Kane ..... " | ..... | 8 15 | ..... | ..... |
| | A. M. | P. M. | P. M. | |
| Sunbury..... lv | † 9 55 | † 1 55 | † 5 30 | ..... |
| Harrisburg....ar | †11 30 | † 3 20 | † 7 10 | ..... |
| | P. M. | P. M. | P. M. | |
| Philadelphia .ar | † 3 00 | † 6 23 | †11 15 | ..... |
| Baltimore....." | † 3 10 | † 6 00 | †10 40 | ..... |
| Washington " | † 4 10 | † 7 15 | ..... | ..... |
| | A. M. | P. M. | | |
| Sunbury ..... lv | †10 05 | † 2 45 | ..... | ..... |
| | P. M. | | | |
| Lewistown Jc ar | †12 05 | † 4 37 | ..... | ..... |
| Pittsburg..... " | † 7 00 | †11 30 | ..... | ..... |
| | A. M. | P. M. | P. M. | |
| Harrisburg..... lv | 11 45 | † 3 50 | † 7 30 | ..... |
| | P. M. | | A. M. | |
| Pittsburg ..... ar | 7 00 | †11 30 | † 2 00 | ..... |

‡ Daily, except Sunday. † Daily. f Flag station.

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| | | P. M. | | A. M. |
| Pittsburg.. ..lv | † 7 05 | † 8 10 | ..... | † 8 00 |
| | A. M. | A. M. | | P. M. |
| Harrisburg....ar | † 2 10 | † 3 30 | ..... | † 3 10 |
| | | | | A. M. |
| Pittsburg. .....lv | ..... | ..... | ..... | † 8 00 |
| | | | | P. M. |
| Lewistown Jc." | ..... | † 7 30 | ..... | † 3 15 |
| Sunbury..... ar | ..... | † 9 18 | ..... | † 5 10 |
| | P. M. | A. M. | | A. M. |
| Washington....lv | †10 40 | ..... | ..... | †10 50 |
| Baltimore ..... " | †11 50 | † 4 25 | ..... | †12 00 |
| Philadelphia..." | †11 20 | † 4 30 | ..... | †12 25 |
| | A. M. | A. M. | | P. M. |
| Harrisburg..... lv | † 3 30 | † 8 05 | ..... | † 3 25 |
| Sunbury..... ar | † 5 08 | † 9 38 | ..... | † 5 35 |
| | P. M. | A. M. | | A. M. |
| Erie ..... lv | † 3 25 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Kane ..... " | † 7 05 | ..... | ..... | † 6 30 |
| Renovo ..... " | 10 35 | ..... | ..... | 10 25 |
| Lock Haven..." | 11 25 | † 7 30 | ..... | P. M. |
| | A. M. | | | 3 00 |
| Williamsport.." | 3 25 | 8 20 | ..... | 4 00 |
| Milton ..... " | 4 12 | 9 22 | ..... | 4 56 |
| Lewisburg..... " | ..... | 9 15 | ..... | 4 47 |
| Sunbury..... ar | 4 36 | 9 50 | ..... | 5 25 |
| | A. M. | A. M. | | P. M. |
| Sunbury..... lv | † 5 25 | † 9 55 | ..... | † 5 43 |
| S. Danville..... " | 5 48 | 10 17 | ..... | 6 07 |
| Catawissa..... " | 6 08 | 10 35 | ..... | 6 26 |
| E. Bloomsburg" | Via | 10 43 | ..... | 6 33 |
| Espy Ferry..... " | Rock | †10 47 | ..... | † 6 38 |
| Creasy ..... " | Glen. | 11 56 | ..... | 6 48 |
| Nescopeck ....ar | 8 07 | 11 10 | ..... | 6 58 |
| | A. M. | A. M. | | P. M. |
| Nescopeck..... lv | ..... | †11 10 | ..... | † 6 58 |
| Rock Glen.....ar | † 6 52 | †11 35 | ..... | 7 22 |
| Fern Glen..... " | 6 59 | 11 43 | ..... | 7 27 |
| Tomhicken..... " | 7 10 | 11 54 | ..... | 7 34 |
| | | P. M. | | |
| Hazleton ..... " | 7 57 | 12 15 | ..... | 7 56 |
| Pottsville . .. " | 8 45 | 1 00 | ..... | 9 05 |
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| Nescopeck..... lv | † 8 07 | †11 10 | † 4 08 | † 6 58 |
| Wapwallopen.ar | 8 18 | 11 22 | 4 20 | 7 09 |
| Mocanaqua..... " | 8 28 | 11 32 | 4 32 | 21 |
| Nanticoke ..... " | 8 48 | 11 54 | 4 53 | 42 |
| | | P. M. | | |
| Plym'th Ferry " | † 8 56 | 12 02 | 5 01 | 7 52 |
| Wilkesbarre.... " | 9 05 | 12 10 | 5 10 | 8 00 |
| | A. M. | P. M. | P. M. | P. M. |
| Pittston(D & H) ar | † 9 41 | †12 49 | † 5 54 | † 8 32 |
| Scranton " " | 10 10 | 1 16 | 6 21 | 9 03 |

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## RAILROAD TIME TABLE

### DELAWARE, LACKAWANNA & WESTERN RAILROAD.

BLOOMSBURG DIVISION.

| STATIONS. | EAST. | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | A. M. | P. M. | A. M. | P. M. |
| NORTHUMBERLAND..... | 6 25 | 1.50 | 10 05 | 5 50 |
| Cameron..... | 6 38 | ..... | ..... | 6 03 |
| Chulasky..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 6 07 |
| Danville..... | 6 50 | 2 12 | 10 26 | 6 13 |
| Catawissa..... | 7 03 | 2 26 | 10 39 | 6 38 |
| Rupert..... | 7 09 | 2 31 | 10 44 | 6 33 |
| Bloomsburg..... | 7 15 | 2 36 | 10 49 | 6 39 |
| Espy..... | 7 23 | 2 42 | .... | 6 45 |
| Lime Ridge..... | 7 30 | 2 48 | ..... | 6 52 |
| Willow Grove..... | 7 34 | 2 52 | ..... | 6 56 |
| Briarcreek..... | 7 38 | ..... | ..... | 7 00 |
| Berwick..... | 7 48 | 3 01 | 11 12 | 7 06 |
| Beach Haven..... | 7 54 | 3 07 | 11 18 | 7 12 |
| Hick's Ferry..... | 8 00 | 3 13 | .... | 7 19 |
| Shickshinny..... | 8 10 | 3 24 | 11 33 | 7 35 |
| Hunlock's..... | 8 20 | 3 34 | ..... | 7 4 |
| Nanticoke..... | 8 27 | 3 42 | 11 49 | 7 54 |
| Avondale..... | 8 32 | 3 47 | ..... | 7 58 |
| Plymouth..... | 8 37 | 3 52 | 11 56 | 8 03 |
| Plymouth Junction..... | 8 42 | 3 57 | ..... | 8 07 |
| Kingston..... | 8 50 | 4 05 | 12 06 | 8 12 |
| Bennett..... | 8 53 | 4 08 | ..... | 8 16 |
| Forty Fort..... | 8 56 | 4 11 | ..... | 8 19 |
| Wyoming..... | 9 01 | 4 17 | 12 16 | 8 27 |
| West Pittston..... | 9 06 | 4 22 | ..... | 8 30 |
| Susquehanna Ave..... | 9 10 | 4 25 | 12 25 | 8 33 |
| Pittston..... | 9 15 | 4 30 | 12 26 | 8 39 |
| Duryea..... | 9 19 | 4 34 | ..... | 8 44 |
| Lackawanna..... | 9 24 | 4 37 | ..... | 8 48 |
| Taylor..... | 9 32 | 4 45 | 12 40 | 8 57 |
| Bellevue..... | 9 37 | 4 50 | ..... | 9 02 |
| SCRANTON..... | 9 42 | 4 55 | 12 48 | 9 07 |
| | A. M | P. M. | P. M. | P. M |
| STATIONS. | WEST. | | | |
| | A. M. | A. M. | P. M. | P. M. |
| SCRANTON..... | 6 00 | 9 55 | 1 55 | 6 0 |
| Bellevue..... | 6 05 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Taylor..... | 6 10 | 10 04 | 2 05 | 6 10 |
| Lackawanna..... | 6 18 | 10 11 | 2 13 | 6 17 |
| Duryea..... | 6 22 | 10 14 | 2 16 | 6 21 |
| Pittston..... | 6 28 | 10 18 | 2 20 | 6 2 |
| Susquehanna Ave..... | 6 32 | 10 21 | 2 23 | 6 28 |
| West Pittston..... | 6 35 | 10 24 | 2 27 | 6 31 |
| Wyoming..... | 6 40 | 10 29 | 2 32 | 6 36 |
| Forty Fort..... | 6 45 | .... | .... | .... |
| Bennett..... | 6 48 | 10 36 | 2 39 | 6 44 |
| Kingston..... | 6 54 | 10 39 | 2 45 | 6 53 |
| Plymouth Junction..... | 6 59 | 10 43 | 2 51 | .... |
| Plymouth..... | 7 04 | 10 47 | 2 54 | 7 0 |
| Avondale..... | 7 09 | .... | 2 58 | 7 07 |
| Nanticoke..... | 7 14 | 10 54 | 3 04 | 7 12 |
| Hunlock's..... | 7 20 | 11 00 | 3 10 | 7 20 |
| Shickshinny..... | 7 31 | 11 10 | 3 24 | 7 35 |
| Hick's Ferry..... | 7 44 | 11 23 | 3 35 | 7 47 |
| Beach Haven..... | 7 54 | 11 32 | 3 42 | 7 58 |
| Berwick..... | 8 00 | 11 40 | 3 49 | 8 06 |
| Briarcreek..... | 8 06 | ..... | 3 55 | ..... |
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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1896.


The fight for United States Senator in this state is becoming quite warm. Senator Quay declares that his man Penrose is sure of nomination, claiming 150 votes in caucus.

Quay thinks they are not treating him right in Philadelphia. He is saying all kinds of nasty things about Philadelphia's attempt to send $400,000 John Wanamaker to the United States Senate.

### Vanderslice vs. Snyder.

The suit of Vanderslice against the estate of Mary Snyder deceased, which has been hanging in court for several years, was decided by Judge Metzger last Thursday. Judge Ikeler was a witness in the case, and therefore could not preside, and it was certified to Judge Rice of Wilkes-Barre who resigned as President Judge to go on the Superior bench, and the matter was then certified to Judge Metzger.

When N. U. Funk Esq., filed his account as excutor of Mary Snyder, an auditor was appointed to distribute the fund. A claim was presented by the assignees of Jos. R. Vanderslice, on a written guarantee signed by the alleged mark of Mrs. Snyder, and agreeing to pay J. R. Vanderslice certain debts owed to him by Daniel Snyder, a son of the decedent.

The claim was contested by the estate on the ground that Mrs. Snyder did not sign the paper, and that if she did, there could be no recovery on it because of certain legal defects in the document. Several hundred pages of testimony were taken before the auditor, and then an issue was asked for by the claimants, to try the question before a jury as to whether Mrs. Snyder did or did not sign the paper. Judge Rice granted the issue and the case was tried before him, the jury finding that Mrs. Snyder did sign the paper. Judge Rice resigned before disposing of the case, and as before stated it was referred to Judge Metzger, who has filed his opinion in favor of the claimants. The amount involved is several thousand dollars, and will take the entire estate. The case will probably go to the Supreme Court.

### Doctors in Session.

The Columbia County Medical Society held an interesting meeting in the Catawissa Hotel parlors on Tuesday last week. There were present Drs. Reber, Bruner, Brown and John, of Bloomsburg; Montgomery, of Buckhorn; Zimmerman, of Numidia; Follmer, of Rohrsburg, and Sharpless, Kline, Robbins, Geo. H. and J. H. Vastine, of Catawissa. The unlucky number—thirteen—were present, but as physicians are not superstitious no harm will come.

An interesting paper was read by Dr. John on Ophthalmia Neonatorum and discussed by the society, and an appropriate address was delivered by the retiring president, Dr. Bruner. Election of officers was held for the ensuing year, and appointment of delegates to the State Medical Society was also made.

President, Follmer, Rohrsburg; Vice Presidents, G. H. Vastine, Catawissa, and John, Bloomsburg; Secretary and Treasurer, Reber, Bloomsburg. Delegates to American Association held in Philadelphia next May, Sharpless, Catawissa, and Montgomery, Buckhorn; delegates to State Medical Society held in Pittsburg, Robins, Catawissa; Bruner, Bloomsburg; Zimmerman, Numidia, and John, Bloomsburg.—Catawissa *Item.*

### Big Bank Failures.

Three Chicago banks closed their doors on Monday. The National bank of Illinois and two private concerns go up together. The causes of the suspension as given in the resolutions adopted by the clearing house committee are "unwarrantable and injudicious loans" through which "the capital and surplus of said banks is seriously imperilled if not absolutely lost."

Congressman Monroe H. Kulp, who was taken seriously ill while on his road to Washington last week, is reported much better. He is at the hospital in Washington.

Among the list of Pennsylvania inventors reported by Snow & Co., last week, we notice one granted to J. P. Casey, formerly of this town for an electric elevator.

## NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

### EAST BENTON.

Last Saturday a deep gloom was cast over the community when the shocking news of the sudden death of D. T. Lutes of this township was being circulated through the neighborhood. This death is a peculiarly sad one. He had gone to the blacksmith shop at Five Points to get his horses roughed when he fell dead in the shop. He was of careful and correct business habits, of sterling integrity, and served this township in various official capacities, being Secretary of the School Board at the time of his death. A widow and a large family of children survive to mourn their loss. He was a man of good disposition, a loving husband, an affectionate father, and a good neighbor. A son and daughter were but recently married. The deceased was aged about 65 years.

In a conversation with Rev. White of the M. E. Charge, not long ago, the question arose whether the world grew better or worse. A great many people look upon our age as degenerating instead of progressing in better morals. Rev. White said that some one had answered the question thus: "The world grows worse only in spots." This we believe is as good a version of it as can be given. Upon the whole, we believe the world grows better as time progresses.

Our public schools are certainly growing in better condition. An element of improvement is free text books. I have advocated free text books for more than thirty years. During my long experience in teaching I had many pupils in my charge without the necessary if any books. In many cases I was obliged to be both teacher and books to school pupils.

Last Tuesday one week ago G. M. Howell, VanCamp's long continued Post Master, was stricken with paralysis. He is in a critical condition, not being able to talk. He is little past 74 years of age, and up to the time of his affliction, was well preserved for one of his years. Mr. Howell is nearly deaf, and under the circumstances the family is in a pitiable condition and have the sympathy of the entire community.

The fall work, preparatory for winter is well under way.

The Poet Newton had a more exalted view of the majestic sublime, than beautiful weather, when he penned the soul stirring lines, "How tedious and tasteless the hours" &c. when further on occur the lines: "But when I am happy in him" "December's as pleasant as May." The beautiful weather of this December, some time ago, forcibly reminded us of the Poet's beautiful hymn.

We were told that if McKinley was elected, confidence would be immediately restored and times get better. Well confidence is restored and the soup house business is booming for a fact.

## BONDS FILED.

Nehemiah Kitchen, county commissioner elect, has filed his bond in the sum of $2000, with Joseph W. Reece and Peter Hayman as bondsmen.

County Commissioner elect, John N. Gordon, filed his bond in the sum of $2,000, Saturday afternoon, with John S. Mensch and J. R. Fowler as Bondsmen.

William Krickbaum, County Commissioner. Bondsmen, William Krickbaum, B. Frank Zarr, C. A. Kleim. Amount $2,000.

Wm. H. Henrie, Prothonotary. Amount of bond $17,000. Bondsmen Wm. H. Henrie, G. H. Vastine, S. B. Rhawn, C. P. Pfahler and A. H. Sharpless.

$19,500 bond of C. B. Ent filed with C. B. Ent, G. A. Herring, P. S. Harman, J. R. Fowler and G. M. Lockard as bondsmen.

Geo. S. Fleckenstine, County Treasurer, bond filed in the sum of $60,000, with Geo. S. Fleckenstine, R. R. Ikeler, W. H. Snyder, Robt. Buckingham, Edward Hartman and Jacob Oman as bondsmen.


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Christmas, 1896.

### A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL THE WORLD.

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In sending our greetings to the readers of this paper we desire to thank you for the grand support you have given us during the past year. This big establishment is one of Wilkes-Barre's oldest and most substantial land marks and we take pride in the progress it has made. It has been a helpful store, especially to those who for various reasons were formerly compelled to make their purchases in the large cities. Our up-to-date methods renders this no longer necessary. Everything that can be purchased in the cities is to be found among our mammoth well selected stocks, The qualities are always the best and we can save you both money and time by having your orders sent directly to us. It is the home store, including among its patrons the most prosperous people of this and sister counties. Our mail order department is carefully managed and is now the largest system in this section of the State.

Everything for the comfort and convenience of out of town shoppers is adopted as soon as its utility becomes known.

Our Cafe is a modern restaurant, where comfort, cleanliness and a various assortment of eatables are always to be found.

Some of the things obtainable here are enumerated below. They are always of high standard quality and our system of exchange, gives you the privilege of returning anything you wish if found unsatisfactory from any cause.

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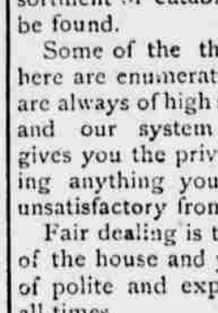

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### Court Proceedings.

The third week of court opened on Monday with Judge Ikeler and associates on the bench. The following jurors were excused: Jeremiah Fahringer, of Bloomsburg, Frank Smith and O. E. Hess of Berwick, Jacob Knouse of Jackson township, and Harry Neyhard of Millville, C. H. Zehnder and Edward Reese whose names were called were not present for the reason that one resides in Lackawanna Co., and the other in Schuylkill.

A. H. Sharpless, B. B. Schmick and G. W. Reifsnyder of Catawissa appointed Trustees of Hoagland Post G. A. R.

A petition was presented by the Overseers of Hemlock township Poor District, asking that the children of Aaron Miller be compelled to support and maintain the said Aaron Miller who at present is a charge on the District. Rule granted returnable Monday, January 4th.

The Court read an opinion in J. B. Robison use vs. Nathaniel L. Campbell, and rule discharged. Exception noted.

Estate of George Eves. Report of sale confirmed nisi.

Estate of John H. Parker, deceased, W. A. Evert appointed auditor.

Estate of Stott E. Colley, deceased. A. N. Yost appointed auditor.

The trial list was taken up and the following cases marked for trial, the others either being settled or continued:

John Mourey vs. Geo H. Frey.
John Hinterliter vs. Jesse Rittenhouse.
Daniel Young & Co., vs Berninger & Hower.
J. Richardson & Co., vs. Wm. Llewellyn.
C. E. Geyer vs. J. H. Vastine.
N. D. Masteller vs. Sugarloaf twp.
Andrew Graydon vs. Franklin twp.
School Furnishing Co., vs. Bloomsburg Belt RR. Co.

A Jury was called for the Mourey—Frey case, and then Court adjourned at eleven o'clock till half past one p. m., when Judge Metzger arrived, Judge Ikeler having gone to Pottsville.

On Saturday the Court directed that five hundred names of persons be placed in the wheel for jurymen for the ensuing year.

John Mourey vs. G B. Frey. Case tried, verdict for defendant. The defendant is constable of Mifflin, and by order of a justice of the peace he shot a dog belonging to plaintiff, which was supposed to be mad. The court charged the jury that the constable was not liable, as he only followed the order of the Justice.

Report of viewers in favor of public road in Cleveland township near E. Yocum's, confirmed nisi and width fixed at 33 feet.

G. D. Gaumer vs. C. F. Gaumer. The court made the following order: And now December 21st case being called by counsel for plaintiff and that no bond has been filed by the claimant, counsel for the claimant states to the Court that the claimant will not file a bond or proceed further, the Sheriff is directed to proceed with his execution.

J. Hinterliter vs. J. Rittenhouse. Verdict for defendant by direction of the court.

East Fifth Street presents a lively scene just now. F. N. Turner's residence is nearly completed, and work on C. C. Peacock's house is being hurried along. Besides these two fine additions to that end of Fifth Street, we understand that there are two more dwellings soon to be commenced.

A fearful explosion occurred in the Baltimore colliery No. 2, situated in a suburb of Wilkes-Barre, on Monday afternoon, and so far as can now be ascertained 26 persons were entombed and many of them overcome with mine gas, though it appears that all were rescued. Some of them may yet die.

William Watts, a former resident of Bloomsburg, but now residing at Sunbury had an arm cut off on the railroad at that place last week. He was a base ball player, and was one of the best on the Bloomsburg team some years ago.

The following letters are advertised Dec. 22, 1896: Mrs. Norman Brown, H. J. Hess, Miss Rosa Kesler, William Keifer, Wm. McHenry, Tobias Williams, Miss Lizzie Yoahey, Mrs. Elizabeth Zarr. Will be sent to the dead letter office Jan. 5, 1897.

JAMES H. MERCER, P. M.

Health Officer Isaiah Hagenbuch is actively engaged in the performance of his duties. Notices are posted on houses where there are contagious diseases, and the necessary steps are being taken to keep the town clean and healthy.

J. W. Moyer, the newsdealer is presenting his customers with a handsome calendar for 1897.


### Try Grain-O! Try Grain-O!

Ask your Grocer to-day to show you a package of GRAIN-O, the new food drink that takes the place of coffee. The children may drink it without injury as well as an adult. All who try it, like it. GRAIN-O has that rich seal brown of Mocha or Java, but it is made from pure grains, and the most delicate stomach receives it without distress. ¼ the price of coffee. 15c. and 25c. per package. Sold by all grocers. 12-17-4td.



# FROM NOW TILL CHRISTMAS

It's only a few days but each one of them is worth any two days of ordinary merchandising.

The host of fancy articles in china, lamps, cut glass, handkerchiefs, must be sold. We do not want to, and will not carry any over.

Crowds visit this store every day. There is a reason for it. There is reason in it. If you will make this store the base of your holiday supplies you will see how satisfied you will be.

**IS IT HANDKERCHIEFS?**

No stock could be in better shape to fit your every desire. Watch the people at the counters, watch them buy, watch the selling—it must be right.

Ladies' hemstitched linen handkerchiefs, 15c. or 2-4-25c.
Fancy edged, fancy figures, and open work edge. 15c. or 2-4-25c.
Ladies' linen, fancy handkerchief, best value ever offered, 25c. each.
Ladies' linen handkerchief, fancy and plain, point lace, and hand made lace, 40, 52, 75c., $1.00 to $3.00 ea.

**FANCY CHINA AND CUT GLASS.**

Don't want a piece left over. See how very interesting these lots look in print. More interesting when you see them.

After dinner coffee and chocolate cups, 25c. and 50c. ea.
Bread and butter plates in Austin and Limoge china, $1.50, $2.50, and $4.00. the doz.
Chop dishes, $1.40, $1.75, $2.50 and $3.00 each.
Elegant line of celery boats in china and cut glass, 75c. to $4.00.
Chocolate pots, fancy plates, bon bon dishes, asparagus dishes, ice cream sets, claret glasses, vinegar cruits, etc., etc.

**LAMPS.**

Our assortment of lamps this year is the finest to be seen any where around. Any style, any price and any quantity. They were never cheaper or prettier.
A handsome all china banquet lamp, three distinct designs, globe included, $4.25.
An elegant banquet lamp, onyx stem, open work, brass bowl, removable fount, globe included, $5.00.
Best bargains in a library lamp, handsome designs, complete. $3.25

**DRESS GOODS.**

What would be nicer than an elegant rich dress for a Xmas present. Dress goods were never prettier or lower in price than now. We are surely offering rare bargains in this line. If you want a nice pattern it will pay you to see ours before you buy.

**DISHES.**

Why not give your wife a nice set of dishes for a Xmas present. Nothing is more acceptable than this. We can give you two open stock patterns to pick from, or a dozen different designs in sets. In fact any thing you want in the dish line.

**FUR OPENING.**

E. B. Ripsom representing the Ripsom & and Newland Fur Co., of New York will give an opening here in our Fur Department, on Dec. 16th and 17th, Wednesday and Thursday of this week. All are welcome.

# Pursel & Harman,

*BLOOMSBURG, PA.*

# SHOES

An extra accumulation of ladies' shoes in narrow widths and small sizes has induced us to put on sale several lots at greatly reduced prices. Widths A. B. and C, sizes 2½ to 4. Former price, $2.50 and $3.00, now $1.50.

# W. C. McKinney.


### REPORT OF THE CONDITION —OF THE— FIRST NATIONAL BANK,

AT BLOOMSBURG, IN THE STATE OF PENN'A., AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS, DECEMBER 17TH, 1896.

RESOURCES.

| | |
|---|---|
| Loans and discounts | $199,514.16 |
| Overdrafts, secured and unsecured | 165.88 |
| U. S. Bonds to secure circulation | 50,000.00 |
| U. S. Bonds on hand | 25,000.00 |
| Premiums on U. S. Bonds | 4,825.55 |
| Bonds, securities, etc | 108,327.50 |
| Banking-house, furniture, and fixtures | 21,000.00 |
| Other real estate and mortgages owned | 2,717.46 |
| Due from National Banks, (not Reserve Agents) | 3,276.49 |
| Due from State Banks and Bankers | 304.47 |
| Due from approved reserve agents | 9,145.25 |
| Checks and other cash items | 1,136 94 |
| Notes of other National Banks | 264.00 |
| Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents | 390.50 |
| LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, VIZ: | |
| Specie 30,790.00 | |
| Legal-tender notes 9,400.00 | 40,190.00 |
| Redemption fund with U. S. Treas'r (5 per cent. of circulation) | 2,250.00 |
| Total | $458,448.20 |

LIABILITIES.

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|---|---|
| Capital stock paid in | $ 50 000.00 |
| Surplus fund | 75,000.00 |
| Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid | 22,217.83 |
| National Bank notes outstanding | 45,000.00 |
| Due to other National Banks | 8,191.43 |
| Individual deposits subject to check | 257,831.92 |
| Certified checks | 35.00 |
| Cashier's checks outstanding | 172.02 |
| Total | $458,448.20 |

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA, } ss
COUNTY OF COLUMBIA. }

I, E. B. TUSTIN, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly affirm that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. E. B. TUSTIN, Cashier.

Subscribed and affirmed to before me this 23rd day of December, 1896.

S. F. PEACOCK, Notary, Public.

CORRECT—Attest:
E. W. M. LOW,
MYRON I. LOW, } Directors.
A. Z SCHOCH,

### ELECTION NOTICE.

*The annual meeting of the policy holders of the Briarcreek Farmers' Mutual Insurance Company of Lime Ridge, Pa., will be held at the hall, Centre Grange, No. 56 P. of H., on January 11, 1897, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 2 p. m. for the election of twelve directors to serve for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.*

H. H. BROWN, *Secretary.*

12-24-3t.

### REPORT OF THE CONDITION —OF THE— FARMERS NATIONAL BANK,

AT BLOOMSBURG, IN THE STATE OF PENN'A., AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS, DEC. 17TH, 1896.

RESOURCES

| | |
|---|---|
| Loans and discounts | $112,086.66 |
| Overdrafts, secured and unsecured | 39.64 |
| U. S. Bonds to secure circulation | 50,000.00 |
| Premiums on U. S. Bonds | 5,487.50 |
| Stocks, securities, etc. | 37,150.00 |
| Banking-house, furniture, and fixtures, | 4,500.00 |
| Other real estate and mortgages owned | 2,717.46 |
| Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents) | 2,219.47 |
| Due from State Banks and Bankers | 1,391.57 |
| Due from approved reserve agents | 13,382.50 |
| Checks and other cash items | 1,974.47 |
| Notes of other National Banks | 400.00 |
| Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents | 85.52 |
| LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, VIZ: | |
| Specie 6,516.90 | |
| Legal-tender notes 5,926.00 | 12,442.90 |
| Redemption fund with U. S. Treas'r (5 per cent. of circulation) | 2,250.00 |
| Due from U. S. Treas'r, other than 5 per cent. redemption fund | 1,000.00 |
| Total | $346,937.71 |

LIABILITIES.

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|---|---|
| Capital stock paid in | 50,000.00 |
| Surplus fund | 10,000.00 |
| Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid | 5,725.14 |
| National Bank notes outstanding | 44,280.00 |
| Due to other National Banks | 2,091.08 |
| Due to State Banks and Bankers | 198.73 |
| Dividends unpaid | 1,461.00 |
| Individual deposits subject to check | 127,896.91 |
| Certified checks | 227.32 |
| Cashier's checks outstanding | 116.53 |
| Bills payable | 5,000.00 |
| Total | $346,937.71 |

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA, } ss
COUNTY OF COLUMBIA, }

I, A. H. BLOOM, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. A. H. BLOOM, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22nd day of December, 1896.

JOHN C. RUTTER, Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest: C. A. KLEIM,
WM S. MOYER, } Directors.
WM. GINGLES,

### ELECTION NOTICE.

There will be an election of a Board of Directors of the Bloomsburg Banking Company at the banking house in Bloomsburg, on Tuesday, January 12th, 1897, at two o'clock in the afternoon, to serve for the ensuing year.

12-24. H. H. GROTZ, Cashier.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report

**Royal Baking Powder**

**ABSOLUTELY PURE**

THE COLUMBIAN.

BLOOMSBURG, PA.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1896.

*Entered at the Post Office at Bloomsburg, Pa. as second class matter, March 1, 1888.*

# BRIEF MENTION.

**About People You Know.**

W. H. Gilmore spent Thursday at Wilkes-Barre.

Harry Barton visited Berwick friends on Saturday.

Mr. Frank Kline of Danville, spent Sunday in town.

J. W. Schlicher of Mountain Grove, gave us a call on Monday.

Stephen Dresher of Stillwater, was among our callers on Monday.

Mrs. R. C. Neal returned to her home in Harrisburg on Saturday.

Miss Martha Brugler has been employed as clerk at the Broadway.

Miss Annie Fox is helping in H. W. Sloan's store this week.

Charles Alexander, of Lancaster, is spending the holidays at home.

Miss Dora Swayze of Berwick, visited friends in town last week.

Mrs. Millard McBride is visiting relatives at Wilkes Barre this week.

Miss Sue Linville visited her parents at Berwick Sunday afternoon.

C. B. McHenry of Benton, was among the visitors to town on Friday.

Mrs. H. W. Kline of Benton, transacted business in town on Friday last.

B. F. Reichard of Mifflinburg, was a Bloomsburg visitor last week.

Mr. George Helder of Wilkesbarre, was a Bloomsburg visitor on Saturday.

Louis Bernhard, Jr. of Catawissa, spent Sunday with his parents in town.

Miss Carola Kitchen is clerking during the holidays at Hess Bros. jewelry store.

Mr. Charles Goodwin of Pottstown, was a Bloomsburg visitor two days last week.

Chas. Sisson, of Tennafly, N. J., is the guest of E. P. Williams, on Fifth Street.

Mr. George Reddington, of Hazleton was in town on Saturday attending to business.

Miss Issy Leidy of Orangeville visited her aunt Mrs. C. W. Hassert, on East Street over Sunday.

Rev. Herving of Tennafly, N. J. preached in the Presbyterian church Sunday morning and evening.

Mrs. Joseph Preston, of East Third Street, left yesterday for a visit to her mother at Philadelphia.

Mrs. Frank B. Parks and daughter Edith are off spending the holidays with Mrs. Park's parents at Duryea.

After spending a few days with her sister Mary, Miss Minnie Everett, returned to her home at Mt. Carmel on Saturday.

Coleman Lewis, who has been confined to the house by illness for the past week, we are pleased to note is able to be out again.

Miss Dora Laubach, who is engaged in teaching school near Philadelphia, is home spending the holidays with her parents on East Third Street.

Dr. D. J. Waller of Indiana, Pa., addressed the men's meeting in the Y. M. C. A. Hall on Sunday afternoon. He took for his subject "sin."

John G. McHenry and wife returned from a trip to Wilkesbarre on Saturday and while waiting for the train on the B. & S. spent the time looking at the holiday display.

Miss Mary C. Conner, a student at the Woman's College, of Baltimore, Md., is home spending the holidays with her parents Rev. and Mrs. Conner, at the M. E. parsonage.

Wilson Hagenbuch, who resides in the far west, arrived in town last Thursday, on a visit to his brothers Frederick and Frank Hagenbuch. He resided before going west, in Centre township.

J. A. Eves, who has been visiting C. L. Sands at Mordansville, came down on Monday morning on his way home to Philadelphia. While in town he purchased C. E. Savage's pony, cart, etc. and took it along home with him.

Christmas always falls on the same day with the first of May. For instance if May 1st comes on Saturday, as it does in '97, Christmas will also come on Saturday. Leap year does not alter this rule.

**Where is the Harm?**

"Where is the harm in dancing, playing cards and in going to the theatre." This question is often asked. Those desiring to hear this question discussed should attend the Methodist Tabernacle next Sunday evening Dec. 27th at 7:00 o'clock and hear what Rev. B. C. Conner has to say on the subject.

This office will be closed on Christmas day.

The quail and deer season closed last week.

Only seven days more, and then we say good-bye to leap year.

A son arrived at the home of Richard Gross on Monday morning.

Sunday Schools won't be so full next Sunday. There will be a reason.

Highest prices in cash paid for hides at P. Solleder & Co. Leather Store. 3t*

John E. Fidler's hand laundry on Market street began operations on Monday.

The new board of commissioners, will take their office on January 4th 1897.

Princeton College Alumni Association's annual dinner will be held at Harrisburg on Dec. 30.

The Telephone Company is cutting down all the poles on their old line from Espy to Orangeville.

To all our friends and patrons we extend the compliments of the season, and wish them a Merry Christmas.

A little child of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Ohl, of Fifth Street, aged eight weeks, died on Sunday evening.

Ezekiel Cole, an old resident of Jackson township, died on Wednesday of last week, aged about 75 years.

Speak nice to everyone now. How do you know but that some of them are going to give you a Christmas present.

The skating was good on the dam beyond Irondale last week, and large crowds of young people enjoyed the sport.

While out skating Saturday afternoon, Frank Boice, son of Daniel Boice, of East First Street, fell breaking his leg near the hip.

The Sunday School of St. Paul's Episcopal Church will hold their Christmas entertainment in the Parish House on Saturday evening.

Weather prophet Hicks is predicting another big snow storm to take place this week. Everbody waited for the last one that he saw coming, but it never got here.

If you have not yet purchased your Christmas presents, you can find a large line to select from, by looking over the columns of this paper. Our advertisers cover a broad field.

While picking coal, Mrs. John Carey, aged sixty years, was struck by a switching engine in the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western railroad yards at Plymouth and instantly killed.

Miss Stapleton's class in elocution will give a grand entertainment in Y. M. C. A. Hall on Saturday evening. They will be assisted by the best musical talent in town. Admission 25c.

I. Hagenbuch, Health Officer, reports that there are but seven cases of diphtheria under treatment in this town. All reports to the contrary are false. W. O. HOLMES,
President Town Council

Mrs. Sadie Brewer, colored, died Friday morning last at her home on Port Noble Street, aged 22 years. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon, by Rev. D. N. Kirkby. She was a consistent member of St. Paul's church. Interment in Rosemont Cemetery.

Mrs. Mary Yohe, of Mifflinville, aged sixty years was stricken with a stroke of paralysis on Friday night last and died Saturday morning. She leaves four sons, all of whom are married. The deceased was a niece of Joshua Fetterman of this town. The funeral took place on Monday.

The only weather report to be believed is thunder.

The bill of fare for dinner on Christmas at the Exchange Hotel, contains a long list of good things.

The arc light at the foot of East Street failing to burn on Monday night, some one asked "what is the matter with the light?" when a small boy answered "it's gone out"—West."

Don't fail to attend the entertainment at the Lutheran Church Monday evening, Dec. 28. Prof. Howe and the new invention, the animotiscope. Something fine is promised. Admission 25c, reserved seats 35cts.

## RESOLUTIONS OF CONDOLENCE.

Resolutions of respect and condolence on the death of Rev. George E. Weeks, formerly pastor of the Baptist Church, adopted by the Pastors' Union of Bloomsburg, Pa., Dec. 21, 1896.

WHEREAS, We, the members of the Pastors' Union of Bloomsburg, Pa., have learned with profound sorrow of the death of our esteemed brother and co-laborer as pastor of the Baptist Church, Rev. G. E. Weeks; therefore

*Resolved*, That while we mourn the loss occasioned by his departure from this world to the heavenly world above, we yet bow to the all-wise decree of Him who doeth all things for our best interests, believing that this sorrow has been brought upon us for a good purpose.

*Resolved*, That we realize that in his death we have lost a true and devoted friend and brother in the Lord; that his family has lost a loving father and husband; that the Church has lost a consistent and conscientious worker, and the world a noble example of Christian manhood.

*Resolved*, That we sympathize with the bereaved wife and children of the departed, who are thus deprived of his earthly support and guidance, and commend them unto the Lord, "who healeth the broken heart and bindeth up their wounds."

*Resolved*, That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of this union, that they be published in the papers of Bloomsburg, and that a copy be sent to the bereaved family.

C. H. BRANDT,
Committee.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS.

To every purchaser of a fifty cent necktie we give a Xmas present of a bottle of PALMER'S CELEBRATED PERFUME. This chance is only to be had at Townsend's, the Gent's Furnisher.

Books for young and old at Mercer's.

If you want good candy for Christmas get some of Whitman's Celebrated Confections at Rishton's Drug Store. 2t.

Xmas gifts in umbrellas—Sterling Silver Mounted Silk Umbrellas at Townsend's. 2t.

Articles plain and fancy, certainly serviceable, sensible, useful, subdued in effect or radiant with brightness, at Mercer's.

Ho! for Christmas candy. We are leaders, the finest assortment ever seen in town, come and see us. We are sure to please you. I. G. Deitrick.

Preserved cherries and pineapple at I. G. Deitrick's.

It is not a theory—an experiment, nor is it a scheme to get your money. No matter what you buy at Townsend's you always get full value for your money at Townsend's the Hatter. 2t.

All the new games at Slate's. 2t

W. S. Rishton has 22 differant kinds of fancy atomizers to select from. Prices 50c. to $3.00. 2t.

Holiday Novelties, fancy Mirrors, Picture Frames, Pictures, Manicure and Dressing Cases, Toilet Bottles, Cologne and Perfumes at Mercer's.

To the people of Bloomsburg! Do not buy impure city candy for your children and impair their health when you can buy candy of H. M. Hockman's own make out of pure sugar.

Do not forget that Townsend gives you a bottle of PALMER'S CELEBRATED PERFUME with every fifty cent necktie.

Mercer for Christmas bargains.

Clothing made to fit and fit to wear. No one can make first class work and fit at prices more reasonable than Maier the artistic tailor, clothier, hatter and furnisher. Endless variety of fabrics and designs of fine cloths and cassimeres to select from. 2t.

Christmas Chances! Christmas Chances!

We are now showing the most beautiful line of Neckwear specially bought for Xmas. With every 50ct. necktie we give a bottle of PALMER'S CELEBRATED PERFUME. Remember this can only be had at Townsend's, the Haberdasher. 2t.

Matchless array of Holiday specialties. Something here for everybody—for the child or the adult, the rich or the poor, the economical or those who desire to spend more lavishly—enough for everybody at Mercer's, opposite Episcopal Church.

**Fifty Years Ago.**

Grandfather's hat! And within it you see,
Grandfather's favorite cough remedy.
Whether 'twas Asthma, Bronchitis or Croup,
Or baby at night waked the house with a whoop,
With Ayer's Cherry Pectoral Gran'ther was sure
That no cold or cough would e'er fail of a cure.
In hats the styles change, but the records will show
Coughs are cured as they were 50 years ago.

**Ayer's Cherry Pectoral**

**has no equal as a remedy for coughs, colds, and lung diseases. Where other soothing elixirs palliate, Ayer's Cherry Pectoral heals. It is not a cheap cough syrup, which soothes but does not strengthen; it is a physician's cough remedy, and it cures. It is put up in large bottles, only, for household use. It was awarded the medal at the World's Fair of ninety-three. It has a record of**

**50 Years of Cures.**

Go early and get your Christmas candy and fruit at H. M. Hockman's and avoid the great rush on Christmas Eve.

We cannot guarantee to frame pictures for Xmas delivery unless ordered by Saturday, Dec. 19. W. H. Slate.

Fruits and Nuts of all kinds at I. G. Deitrick's

Xmas! Xmas! Xmas!

Come and look at the latest and newest and most elegant line in Town of gloves, silver mounted umbrellas and gent's furnishings at Townsend's the Haberdasher. 2t.

Come and see the big line of Christmas candy at I. G. Deitrick's Market Square.

L. E. Whary calls especial attention to their fine line of English Porcelain Dinner sets. They have them in endless variety and the prices are very low, considering the material.

Pillow Dex is the latest game out. Slate has it—25 and 50cts. 2t.

I can prove that I have the largest and cheapest line of fine leather goods in Bloomsburg. Come and see them. W. S. Rishton, Druggist. 2t.

You can always get just what you want in the way of meat by calling at Lyons' Meat Market, and the price is always right. Try him. Main Street, above Iron.

Ready trimmed hats for ladies and Misses reduced in prices at E. Barkley's. Call and get bargains. Main below Market Street.

Full line of Excelsior Diaries, all prices, at W. H. Slate's.

The best treat of all is our fine chocolates at 25 cents a pound for Christmas at I. G. Deitrick's.

L. E. Whary's China Bazaar is jammed full of fine china dishes, for the Holiday trade, and more constantly coming in. It is hard to describe the beauty of their stock, it requires a personal visit. We would not attempt to tell you of the great variety of fine Cut Glass, English Porcelain, and the hundreds of beautiful things that adorn their shelves.

It is wonderful how H. M. Hockman sells such good candy and so cheap. Why it is because he manufactures them.

Townsend's Xmas Souvenirs.

Come and see the newest styles for Xmas gifts in neckwear, gloves, shirts, night robes, hosiery, collars, cuffs and all kinds of gent's furnishings, up to date in style and down to date prices.

We have a big drive on a suberb mixture 15 cents a pound or 2 pounds for 25 cents at Deitrick's, Market Square.

If you are looking for fine chinaware of any kind you will do well to call at L. E. Whary's China Bazaar, Main Street, below Market. There you will find the finest and largest line in the city.

Call at Lyons Meat Market for nice fresh sausage and all kinds of nice fresh meat, Main St., above Iron.

FOR RENT. The west half of a double house on East Third street, Bloomsburg. Possession given on December 1st. All modern conveniences. Rent reasonable. Apply to J. W. Conner, Orangeville, or D. W. Campbell, Bloomsburg. 11-19-tf.

**HOOD'S PILLS cure Liver Ills, Billousness, Indigestion, Headache. A pleasant laxative. All Druggists.**

## CLARKS'

**HOLIDAY PRESENTS FOR EVERYBODY.**

GOODS THE PEOPLE WANT. PRICES THE PEOPLE LIKE

**Holiday Dress Patterns.**
We have a fine line of dress patterns from 50c. pattern up to $12.00. A pattern suitable for gifts.

**Holiday Waist Silks.**
A handsome line of silks for waists. They make useful gifts.

**Feather and Fur Boas.**
A full line of these for gift giving, 25c. and upwards.

**Skirts.**
A complete line of skirts in sateen, flannel, moreen, wool, cotton, from 49c. up. Useful gifts.

**Handkerchiefs for Christmas.**
Almost any handkerchief that you may desire. You can depend on this stock for—
Hemstitched all linen, 12½, 15, 17, 22c. up.
Hemstitched embroidered, 10c. Value 15c.
Special lot of Swiss embroidered handkerchiefs, 3 for 25c.

**Linens.**
Complete lines. 72 in. bleached table linens, 70c, yd. 72 in. bleached table linens, $1.00 yd. 72 in bleached table linens, $1.25 yd.
All linen open work towels, 50, 65 and 75c.
8 x 10 table cloth bleached linen $2.00, $2.50, $3.00.
All linen tray cloths, hemmed, 17c.
Napkins, $1.00, $1.25, $1.75, $2.50, $3.50, $4.00 doz.

**Table Covers—full line.**

**Mackintoshes for Ladies.**
These make a useful gift. None but reliable goods find room in our stock. Prices from $5.00 to $10.50.

**Framed Pictures.**
We show a large line of these beautiful goods for Christmas gift giving. It will pay to see our line.

**Holiday Kid Gloves.**
These goods make acceptable gifts. Our lines are complete.

**Umbrellas.**
We are showing a handsome line of umbrellas for Christmas presents. New handles, close rolling, price to suit all from 60c. upwards.

**Christmas Coats.**
These make useful gifts, and we have lowered the prices greatly in your favor.
Melton coats, box front, now $6.75. Wool boucle coats, nobby, now $5.50.

**Dress Skirts.**
Full line for gift giving, choice materials, nicely made. See our skirts at $5.00.

**Jewelry and Silverware.**
We show full lines of these goods suitable for Christmas gifts. Children's sets, knife, fork and spoon, $1.00.

**Cut Glass.**
At reduced prices to close.

**Colgate's Fine Extracts.**
We show a full line of Colgate's fine perfumes in all the leading odors, in plain and fancy packages.
Stockinett leggins for ladies' and children.
Sewing machines, $19.00.
Ice wool squares, 23c. up.
Ribbons and laces, full lines.
Fine lamps, Silk and wool mufflers, Neckwear, all kinds.
Eiderdowns for dressing sacques.
Lace, chenille and derby curtains for useful gifts.

**Leather Goods.**
Pocket books, music rolls, traveling bags, dress suit cases, coin bags, &c.

**H. J. CLARK & SON.**

# I. W. HARTMAN & SON.

For four weeks people have been entering our store empty handed. They departed carrying large packages.

Conditions have somewhat changed and we are now changing our tables, and also the prices on many articles for a New Year present.

When you read this, think about buying a New Year gift for some one who gave you a Christmas present unexpectedly.

Many special nice articles will be offered at a bargain for New Year presents.

Will be open until 9 o'clock Saturday evening as usual.

We are receiving a line of Fur Capes which will be sold at a bargain. The Jacket assortment is still good and many choice ones for misses and children.

Blanket sale will begin about New Year. You can rely upon the quality of our goods. When they are cotton we say so. When they are wool you will know it.

We expect to start the New Year with a high class of goods. We keep many low priced goods, but they are not the kind we advertise much; prefer to have our customers go home and say "*Hartmans keep a good class of goods.*"

**I. W. HARTMAN & SON.**

## Have You Thought of It? .....

**Less Than Three Weeks Till**

# CHRISTMAS!

An impression that we are headquarters for everything in the line of elegant and useful holiday gifts is always produced by a glance over our stock.

**What to Get?**

No need to perplex your head about that. Let us solve the difficulty. Our store contains a thousand suggestions in

**DIAMONDS, JEWELRY,
SILVERWARE, CLOCKS,
ROYAL TEPLITZ ART CROCKERY,
BLUE DELFT CHINA, FANCY GOODS, &c.**

They are at your service. No more worry or perplexity.

*Come this Week* and see our grand

CHRISTMAS DISPLAY—CHRISTMAS STORE,
and CHRISTMAS WINDOWS, at

## HESS BROTHERS

Jewelers, Opticians and Stationers. Bloomsburg, Pa.

*TELEPHONE.*

## CANDY, FRUIT AND NUTS FOR CHRISTMAS.

The finest assortment of candy to be found is here, prices from 10c. to 60c. lb., all fresh and pure.

**ORANGES, BANANAS AND GRAPES.**
**——All Kinds of Nuts.——**

It will be to your advantage to call before purchasing.

***I. G. DEITRICK,***

TELEPHONE CONNECTION. MARKET SQUARE

**YOU ARE INVITED TO CALL AT**

# RISHTON'S DRUG STORE

.....any day from 7 a. m. to 10 p. m. and inspect his.....
.....immense line of beautiful.....

## ....CHRISTMAS GIFTS....

WE MENTION A FEW FOR EXAMPLE, BUT "THERE ARE OTHERS":

**LEATHER GOODS** of all kinds and descriptions.
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## CLEANLY STABLES.

**How to Take Proper Care of Milk to Attain the Best Results.**

The proper care of milk to attain the best results, like many other propositions in the minds of different individuals, is variously estimated very much in accord with "the way they are raised" and trained in after life. That the stream never rose above its source finds its illustration here. Care or slackness is depicted on the faces of every man and woman to a great extent, according as we find those traits carried out in every day life. The natural tendency of the average person seems to be towards the latter, thus making thorough cleanliness an appropriate war cry that should be constantly sounded in every dairy, great or small, in the land, without which it is impossible to produce those goods whose character will carry with it the impress of this very word, which is so much appreciated by the better class of consumers. And so we go with pail and stool for our morning and evening work, the stable being properly cleaned and good bedding supplied at all times; we whistle as we brush the side and udder for an instant to remove the dust and with clean hands and dry teats we go merrily at our task.

But suppose the stable floor is bare save of filth, a too common case, what then? The whistle or song is peremptorily smothered and the milker with his heart in his boots seeks a pail of water and a cloth to perform the disgusting job of cleaning the cow, which ten to one is more of a pretense than real cleaning, or, what is worse, his merriment is turned to muttered or outspoken cursing while he milks the cow as she is. This applies to those who have some sense of cleanliness but not to those who habitually neglect all precautions of cleanliness and milk the cows as they are, clean or dirty, it is all the same to them; they have no compunction of conscience in this matter, they are satisfied to live that way, and do not seem to realize but what everybody else is in the same happy boat.—J. G. Spicer, at Illinois Dairymen's Association.

**Enlarging a Barn for Dairy Purposes.**

A common barn can be easily and cheaply changed into a dairy barn of large capacity, by employing such a plan as that shown in the perspective view—Fig. 1. Two wings, with "shed" roofs, are extended out at right angles from each side of the old barn at one end. The interior arrangement is

Fig. 1—Perspective View of Enlarged Barn.

shown in the floor plan—Fig. 2. A feed car, with a track, is arranged for the feed floor and the feeding alley in front of the cows.

A double silo, grain room and calf pens, with lofts over them, occupy one side of the barn proper, while calf pens and a hay bay occupy the other side. Thus the main barn is used mainly for the storing of feed, while the addition is given up to the stalls. The expense

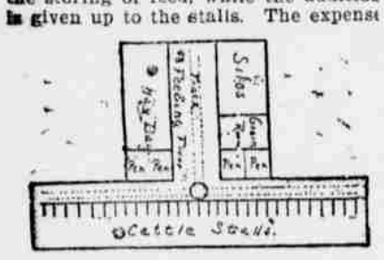


Fig. 2—Ground Plan.

of such a plan will be very much less than would be entailed by the building of a new barn, or even a lengthening of the old one, while the plan shown herewith gives a much more convenient arrangement than could otherwise be had.

**The Ideal Dairy Cow.**

Dairyman Gould, in a recent lecture gave this description of the "cow for him:"

"The ideal cow," he said, "is not large; she weighs about 1,000 pounds; she is something like a race horse, for speed in the horse and milk in the cow are allied. Beef in a horse and beef in a cow mean strength always. It is a question of nerve power, and that is something food will not produce, only maintain. For the typical dairy cow you must have race horse type, bony and muscular, whether she be a Holstein, a Jersey or whatever she may be. You will find her with bony head and strong jaw, long between the eyes and nose, with broad muzzle. She should have a very bright, protruding eye—I want a cow I can 'hang my hat on her eyes. Why? Simply on account of her brain power. It means strong nerve force, and that means action later on. I want a thin neck and retreating brisket. The lines above and below must not be straight, or she will steal from you; I want her slightly depressed behind the shoulders, with sharp chine. I don't want too straight a back bone. She must have large organs of reproduction—you don't want a cow with a straight back; I want her wedge shaped. I want two wedges, large in rear and large heart girth—i. e., wide between forward legs, sharp on shoulder. This gives me large heart action and the strong arterial circulation I want. Then last, but by no means least, she must have a good udder, for one-half of the value of the cow is in her udder. She should have a long udder from front to rear. Then she must have a good handle on each corner of her udder. And why? Because if she gives two pails of milk a day it is a matter of some labor to milk her."

**Low Prices.**

The grape grower should remember that the present low prices are likely to stop the planting of vines and even to cause some poor vineyards to be pulled out, which being interpreted means that good vineyards run by good vineyardists will again be profitable. There is nothing like an overproduction of grapes. Good times will bring fair prices.

## NAVAL SHIPS LOST AT SEA.

**Six American Vessels That Were Never Heard From.**

The Navy Department has many interesting records of its ships that have met with sad endings, but none more so than the brief accounts of six different ones summed up tersely in these words: "Never heard from." This laconic expression is familiar to all sea followers, and it contains a world of meaning if rightfully understood. There have been ships that have gone down in battle with the flags flying defiantly at the masthead, and others that have battled bravely against the adverse elements until, waterlogged, they have sunk within sight of land; but to be lost at sea, with no mention of the disaster because of lack of all detail, is to meet a fate hardly deserved.

Early in the history of our navy such a mystery closed about one of the first vessels flying the new Stars and Stripes. The ill-fated Saratoga, an eighteen-gun ship, after performing a brilliant service on the high seas, sailed forth upon the great ocean and disappeared forever from all human knowledge. What we know of her is briefly summed up in a few sentences. After capturing three English prizes she was intercepted on her way to Philadelphia with them by the British seventy-four-gun ship of the line Intrepid, and after a long fight she escaped from her heavier adversary. No further word from the Saratoga was ever received, and no signs of her wreckage were ever discovered. She probably foundered at sea in a gale, but she never left any one behind to tell the tale.

This was in 1780, and the next loss of a similar character occurred twenty years later. The thirty-six-gun frigate Insurgent, commanded by Capt. Patrick Fletcher, was originally under the French flag, but after she was captured by the Constellation off the island of Nevis she sailed under the American flag until the end of her short career. She had sealed orders to sail from the Chesapeake Capes out to sea, but after she started on her easterly course no word from any ship brought tidings of the Insurgent. She disappeared completely. No one on board of her was ever saved to give official confirmation of the story of her loss.

The fourteen-gun brig Pickering met with a similar fate. She was cruising off Guadaloupe, with Master Commandant Benjamin Hiller in charge, when a severe storm arose and swept the seas. It is generally supposed that the vessel, which was an unseaworthy tub, foundered with all on board. Pieces of wreckage were picked up along the coast, but as so many vessels were lost during this gale there was no certainty of identifying them. It is thought also that the same storm might have caused the loss of the Insurgent, although as to this no trustworthy account can be found.

The next vessel in our navy to disappear in this mysterious fashion was known as gunboat No. 7, commanded by Lieut. Ogelvie. She sailed from New York May 14, 1805, to increase our naval force then engaged in the war with Tripoli. She returned to this port after being out for a few days, and then she sailed on June 29 the second time. But she never reached her destination. Although nine other boats left about the same time for the Mediterranean service, and all reached their points in time, gunboat No. 7 was lost, and no word was ever received from any of her officers or crew.

The loss of the Wasp followed this disaster. The mystery about this handsome naval fighter is generally familiar to all readers of American history. Her exploits on the water after her first launching until the time of her strange disappearance were so brilliant that every schoolboy knows about them. Within a period of five months the Wasp took fifteen English merchantmen, valued at nearly a quarter of a million dollars, and fought several stubborn battles with naval vessels of her own size and strength. On October 1, 1814, the Wasp hailed the Swedish bark Adonis and took on board two of the surviving officers of the old Essex after her destruction in Valparaiso harbor, and then passed on into the dark mystery which has never been solved. That was the last intelligence ever brought to port by any ship concerning the veteran fighter and victor. Her fate will ever remain an unexplained puzzle.

The last vessel of the series to be lost at sea without leaving any sign behind to explain matters was the brig Epervier, commanded by Lieut. John Shubrick. When the terms of the treaty between the United States and Algiers were dictated to the Dey at the point of the cannon by Decatur in 1815, a copy of the paper was sent home by the Epervier. The brig passed the Straits of Gibraltar on July 12, 1815, and from that time all trace of her was lost. She sailed out upon the ocean and was swallowed up by the sea that has wrecked the hopes and ambitions of so many.

In modern times the loss of naval vessels at sea has been comparatively limited. The United States navy has been singularly fortunate in this respect during the past half century, but this may be attributed as much to the limited number of ships in commission as to any still or safeguard. The modern navy is built upon such different lines from the old class of war vessels that it is difficult to compare the two, but it is safe to assume that the cruisers of to-day could stand the elements much better than their prototypes of fifty years ago. The mysterious disappearance of a member of the White Squadron would undoubtedly cause more general sorrow and comment than the loss of the Wasp, Insurgent or Saratoga did in their days.

Great Britain and France have a much longer list of warships that have sailed upon the ocean to go down before some heavy storm without leaving any message behind. Great Britain leads the list in this respect, which is only natural considering the size of her navy, and France comes second, with Spain following as a close third. On the naval lists of each nation there is written over against the name of the unfortunate vessel these ominous words: "Never heard from."

The Princess of Wales on her travels is always accompanied by a favorite white cat.

## Maceo and the Cuban Cause.

In the death of Antonio Maceo the insurgent Cubans have lost their most active and brilliant leader; and it may be that in losing him they have also lost their cause. Whether we applaud or condemn his tireless efforts to free his native island from the rule of Spain, all, we think, will agree that this soldier of mixed blood fought with courage and handled his troops with skill. He inspired his raw levies with confidence, and secured their warm attachment as well. It is a touching tribute to his memory that young Gomez preferred to die rather than to abandon his dead General.

"The coward and the hero must perish alike;" but Honor crowns the one with her immortal wreath and blights the other with shame and contempt. We cannot often know the real motives that actuate human conduct; but so far as Maceo's career is concerned we may conclude that the freedom of Cuba was the cause which impelled him to take the field, and the cause for which he died. This second revolutionary struggle, though it may prove a failure for the present, will, it would seem, make Spain's hold upon her favorite island for any great length of time impossible. The Cubans may yield to force; but they will not be satisfied. They will watch their opportunities; they will recuperate their strength. Meanwhile, Spain, impoverished by the struggle, cannot well diminish her exactions, nor in the face of a hostile population reduce her armaments, nor to any great extent change her policy.

In our civil war the way to reconciliation at its close was comparatively easy. It was simply to remit the revolted States, with such changes as the war had made necessary in their several Constitutions, to their old system of self-government. The hand of the Federal Government was withdrawn, and the State Governments, without exterior pressure or control, resumed their former powers and functions. But Cuba has been a subject province, with certain local rights and privileges; and if the Cubans should lay down their arms they would not go back to an accustomed state of self-government, but to Spanish rule, which they hate, and which they have sought to throw off. This would make peace, and the conditions of peace, more difficult both for the Spaniards and the Cubans. We conclude that if the Cubans should now succumb the day would not be far distant when Spain would be compelled to withdraw from the island.—*Record.*

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## BASE BALL NOTES.

We wonder how the Phillies" will finish next season, they play such a peculiar game, it is very hard to tell how far up the ladder the close of the season will find them, but we know, this, that if they play in '97 like they did in '96, one of the other clubs will be cheated out of last place.

Washington cranks do not like the arrangement made at the recent league meeting, of beginning the season one week later, unless the Senators finish away from home.

Manager Hanlon, of the Baltimores is confident of winning the pennant of '97.

The New York's will be a great deal stronger next year than they were last.

It is a good time now to pick out the winner of next season's pennant.

Just take a look at that Baltimore outfield—Keeler .392, Kelley .370 and Stenzel .366, the fourth, fifth and sixth sluggers of the League.

Pitcher Willie Davis contemplates studying for the ministry.

Pete Browning says he'll be back in the game next season. Old Pete is dying hard.

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## Licking Postage Stamps.

Licking postage stamps is a very common practice and one that but few people would associate with danger of disease of any sort. Of course illness traceable to this cause is rare, but that it does sometimes occur no one can doubt. But, as do from the disease germ theory of abstaining from this practice, it certainly is not a cleanly habit, nor is it a necessary action. It is a good deal easier and safer to lick the envelope or, what is better, moisten the corner of it with the finger tips and water and then apply the stamp. A wet handkerchief will dampen the envelope sufficiently to make the stamp adhere. While great care is taken in the preparation of the mucilage that is put upon postage stamps, it is impossible to insure the perfect health of the persons who handle them. An employee with an inoculable disease might spread his ill condition through a whole country. It may not be necessary to warn every one, but those who have never had their attention called to the subject will not fail, upon a moment's reflection, to see the folly of licking postage stamps.—*New York Ledger.*

**That Catarrh is a Local Affection**

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| Beef, quarter, per pound | .07 |
| Wheat per bushel | .95 |
| Oats " " | 30 |
| Rye " " | .50 |
| Wheat flour per bbl | 5.20 |
| Hay per ton | 12 to $14 |
| Potatoes per bushel, | .30 |
| Turnips " " | .25 |
| Onions " " | .50 |
| Sweet potatoes per peck | .20 |
| Tallow per lb | .4½ |
| Shoulder " " | .10 |
| Side meat " " | .10 |
| Vinegar, per qt | .07 |
| Dried apples per lb | .05 |
| Dried cherries, pitted | .10 |
| Raspberries | .12 |
| Cow Hides per lb | .3½ |
| Steer " " " | .05 |
| Calf Skin | .80 |
| Sheep pelts | .75 |
| Shelled corn per bus | .50 |
| Corn meal, cwt | 1.50 |
| Bran, " | .90 |
| Chop " | 1.00 |
| Middlings " | .90 |
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### Getting Even With Him.

It is always gratifying to one's sense of justice to see the tables turned upon a would-be swindler. Mrs. J. G. Jebb tells the story of a young Englishman who was traveling in Mexico. One Don Manuel represented to him the immense value of a certain silver mine, with which circumstances compelled him to part. But his friend should see and judge for himself!

The two men were accordingly lowered a short distance into the shaft and the Englishman was so pleased with the appearance of the ore that he gave his check for half the purchase price. Later he felt moved to explore his investment farther, and going alone to the mine, hired an Indian in the vicinity to lower the cage. He speedily discovered that the mine was full of water!

Putting into immediate action a plan of reprisal, he sought Don Manuel and expressed his desire to visit the shaft again, to which the Mexican reluctantly yielded. The Indian was again hired to lower the cage, Don Manuel, at the Englishman's instance, giving the requisite instructions. The Englishman then politely motioned the older man to be seated.

Hardly had he done so, when the Indian, in obedience to a gesture from his secret patron, began turning the windlass. In vain Don Manuel entreated and threatened, till his voice arose faintly from far below.

Then the cage was drawn up to within a few feet of the surface and the Englishman demanded of its drenched occupant the surrender of his check. Evidently the young man meant business, and without a word, Don Manuel yielded.

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### The Pearl.

The pearl is the one gem that comes to us perfect from the hand of nature, and to this its great antiquity as a gem is largely due. Precious stones whose beauty and brilliance depend on polishing and cutting would naturally be discovered and utilized later. The discovery of the diamond, for instance, probably dates within historic times. Though known earlier, it was not generally included among the gem treasures of royalty even as late as the seventh century. The modern cutting of diamonds in regular facets was invented as recently as 1456. Indeed it is quite probable that the pearl was the first gem known and treasured by prehistoric man—since the search for food must have been the first occupation of the earliest of the race, and the shining pearl would thus have been discovered in river mussels if not in marine oysters. Certain it is that the Old Testament and the ancient written histories allude to pearls and that remoter evidence is found in the tombs and excavated cities of still earlier eras. The Egyptians, Babylonians and Assyrians held the pearl in an esteem verging on reverence.—*Popular Science Monthly.*

### A Strange Feast.

A curious feast is observed by the Mohammedan inhabinants of India, in which the origin of the custom known as painting the town red may possibly be traced.

It is called the Holi, and consists chiefly in the plentiful sprinkling upon all and sundry of a certain red preparation called Holi powder. It stains the white clothes of the natives with an ugly dirty looking red that conjures up before timid eyes dread visions of bloody fights and ghastly mutinies.

The powder is made in two shades—the one vermillion, the other rose-red—and both are used impartially by the observers of the ceremony, who delight in bedaubing their faces with the powders until they look strange and hideous. Amongst the better classes this festival is falling into disfavor, for it leads to many unpleasant excusses, and had its origin in some decidedly dissipated scene in ancient history.—*N. Y. Journal.*


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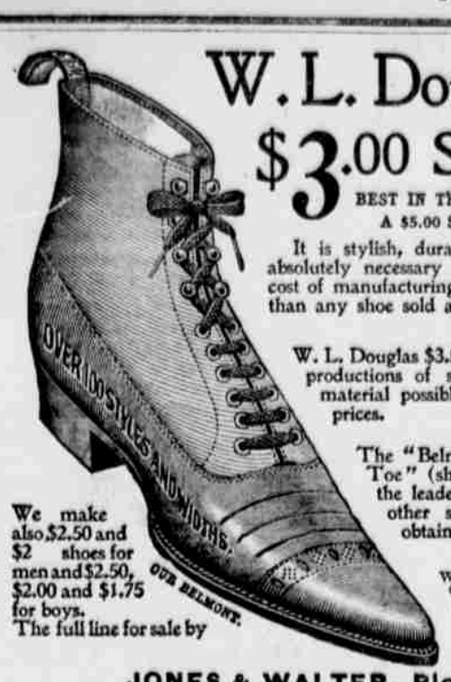


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If you have a troublesome cough, don't keep nibbling sweets, and so ruin your appetite. A dose or two of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral will do you more good than pounds of candy, and assist rather than impair your digestion. Always keep this medicine in your house.


### Du Maurier and Mr. Punch

It was his Punch work, of course, that gave Du Maurier fame. This was drawn directly in pen and ink and engraved for him by that delightful old character, James Swain, the standby of Punch. His Punch pictures, he used to say, grew; he got a notion, drew a figure or so and worked up the picture on his page, fitting the picture to the text and the text to the picture. The legends were usually his own, and he touched them up again and again before they went to the printer until the epigram quite suited him. Sometimes they were suggested to him by friends or in betters sent to Mr. Punch.

Of one of these he used to like to tell an amusing reminiscence. A proud father reported a bright saying of a little girl, and particularly set forth that she wore a plain blue sash and had blue eyes. Du Maurier used the hint, but made the child a boy with a checked sash and dark eyes, whereupon the parent sent a letter of furious indignation, writing that he would never send another hint, no matter how good it might be. Du Maurier was immensely amused and wrote back at once that he sincerely regretted what was not his fault—he had drawn a girl, but the engraver had turned her into a boy, and he had also arranged for a plain sash and light eyes, but the printer had made the mistake of printing the sash checked and the eyes dark!—R. R. Bowker in *New York Times.*

### Good Manners.

Archbishop Whately says that "good manners are a part of good morals." We all acknowledge the truth of the trite saying that true politeness comes from the heart, and that it is only the outward and visible sign of that inward grace which makes us give up in small things to the comfort of others. But "assume the virtue if you have it not," for the polite person must always be more popular and give more pleasure to others than the rough and boorish one. A little courtesy costs nothing but a little thought, and it makes the wheels of society move vastly more smooth. We do not mean that the form of good manners should take the place of the reality, but unselfishness can be cultivated, and with its growth naturally comes politeness.—*Housewife.*

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With the occupation of the Colorado Desert, and of the great peninsula which adjoins it, a powerful impulse will be given to agriculture, mining and commerce in a vast region now little peopled. One of the inevitable consequences will be the rise of San Diego to the proportions of a large city—probably the largest in the southern part of the coast.

Public sentiment seems to be against the verdict rendered in the recent Melvin St. Clair, murder case at Sunbury. The Mt. Carmel *Record* says:

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### SHERIFF'S SALE.
—OF VALUABLE—
## REAL ESTATE

By virtue of a writ of venditioni exponas issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Montour county, and to me directed will be exposed to public sale at the Court House in the borough of Danville, county of Montour and state of Pennsylvania, on

SATURDAY, DEC., 26, 1896,

at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, the following described real estate, viz: A tract of land lying partly in Madison township, Columbia county, and partly in Anthony township, Montour county, Pennsylvania: Beginning at a post in the public road leading from White Hall in Montour county, Penna to Muncy Hills, thence along land of Mrs. Moore and H. C. Monroe, south forty-six and three-fourth degrees east twenty-one and five-tenth perches to a post to corner of lands of said Monroe, thence along line of said land north forty-six degrees and forty minutes, east eighteen and five tenth perches to a white oak, thence along same lands south fifty-four degrees, east thirty-four perches to a post in line of lands of Glen Crawford thence along said Crawford's lands and land of John Stettler, north eighty-one degrees east one hundred twenty-nine perches to a post in line of land of John Stettler and Wm. Harlin, thence along said Harlin's land and land of John Moser north thirty-nine degrees west one hundred eighty perches to a post in line of the aforesaid public road, thence along said public road south twenty-six and one-half degrees west one hundred thirty-four and ninety-five hundredth perches to a point in the same, thence along the same south twenty-seven degrees west twelve and six-tenth perches thence south forty-four and one-half degrees west eight and two-tenth perches to the place of beginning, containing

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barn, grain house and other out buildings, and a well of good water at the house.

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MICHAEL BRECKBILL,
Sheriff's Office, Danville, Pa. Sheriff.
Nov. 27th, 1896.
CHAS. P. GEARHART, Atty. 12-3-3t.

### SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of sundry writs of Fieri Facias issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia county, Pa., and to me directed, there will be exposed to public sale at the Court House in Bloomsburg on

SATURDAY, JANUARY 2, 1897,

at 2 o'clock p. m., all that lot or piece of ground situate in the town of Bloomsburg, county of Columbia and state of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a post on Main or Second street of said town at corner of lot of Mrs. Henrietta Rinker, thence along Second street westwardly a distance of thirty-two feet to a post, thence by other land of Anna M. Lorah, lately lot of Levi Cox, northwardly eighty feet to a post in other lands of Anna M. Lorah; thence along said land forty-one feet to a post in line of lot of Mrs. Henrietta Rinker aforesaid; thence along the line of said Rinker lot southwardly eighty feet to the place of beginning; containing three thousand square feet be the same more or less, whereon is erected a two story and a half double

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ALSO: all that certain lot or piece of ground situate in the town of Bloomsburg, county of Columbia and state of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a corner of Railroad street and an alley running from Knorr's blacksmith shop to Fishing creek; thence along said alley north seventy-seven degrees east sixty-five feet to corner of lot of Mrs. John Rinker: thence by the same south seventy-six and three-fourth degrees east

feet to lot of Anna M. Lorah; thence by the same south thirteen degrees west forty-one feet to a corner; thence by the same southwardly eighty feet to Second street of said town; thence along the north side of Second street westwardly to the corner of Railroad Iron street; and thence along the east side of said Railroad Iron street northwardly to the corner of the alley aforesaid, the place of beginning, whereon is erected a large three story

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J. B. McHENRY,
L. S. Wintersteen, atty. Sheriff.
12-16-ts.

### TRUSTEE'S SALE
—OF VALUABLE—
## REAL ESTATE.

By virtue of an order of the Orphans' Court of Columbia county, the undersigned trustee, appointed to make sale of the real estate of A. K. Smith, deceased, after proceedings in partition had in said estate, will expose at public sale on the premises at Jerseytown, Madison township, said county of Columbia, on

SATURDAY, JANUARY 9, 1897,

at one o'clock p. m., the following described real estate, being a house and lot of ground situated at Jerseytown, said township of Madison, bounded on the north by public road leading from Buckhorn to Muncy, on the east by said public road and lot of Uriah Welliver, on the south by lot of Emery Welliver, Mrs. Chas. Fruit and D. R. Johnson's estate, and on the west by public road leading from Jerseytown to Washingtonville, whereon are erected a

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JOHN B. CASEY,
Robt. Buckingham, atty. Trustee.
12-10-ts.

### ELECTION NOTICE.

The annual election by the stockholders of the Farmers' National Bank, of Bloomsburg, Pa., to choose a Board of Directors for the ensuing year, will be held at the bank on Tuesday, January 12th, 1897, between the hours of two and four o'clock in the afternoon.

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REV. EDWARD M. WARDIN.

The Evening *Express* of Carthage, Missouri, of December 12th contained the following sketch of Rev. Edward M. Wardin, whose death was announced last week:

"Rev. Edward M. Wardin died at his home in this city last night, December 11, 1896, at 9:30 o'clock after an illness of fifteen days, caused by neuralgia, which was later complicated by kidney troubles.

Mr. Wardin was born near Light-street, Pa., March 27, 1829, and was therefore 67 years, 8 months and 12 days old. On March 6, 1856, he was married to Mary E. Brugler, who with his only child, Halford B. survive him. During the greater part of his life, which was spent in Pennsylvania, he was actively connected with various business enterprises, in all of which he was successful, but for the benefit of his son's health, and feeling that he could better himself by moving to a newer country, came west in 1877 with several friends with a view of selecting a place to which to move his home. The entire party was so pleased with Carthage and the surrounding country that all settled here in the spring of 1878. He bought a large farm near the town on the north and after farming a few years built his residence on Central avenue in this city and has lived there happily ever since.

His peculiar devotion, after his family, centered in the Methodist church, he being a constant and consistent worker in that church, which he joined in early manhood. As a token of appreciation of his services to that organization, without solicitation on his part, in 1871 his church conferred license to him to preach the gospel; in 1876 he was ordained a deacon, and in 1889 he was ordained an elder in that church. His valuable services to the church in this city were recognized by his appointment in 1888 as assistant pastor, which charge, as assistant, he faithfully filled for several years.

Mr. Wardin was respected by the whole community and was endeared in many ways to his friends and companions. His associates in church work here speak in especial commendation of his labors in the religious field. He was always more than willing to work for the upbuilding of the church and the cause of christianity and was a great help and reliance to the various pastors who have occupied the Methodist pulpit."


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## Jewelry.

Bone collar buttons, 2c doz. Pearl collar buttons, 5c each. Link cuff buttons, 10c, 15c, 19c pair. Ladies' shirt waist sets, 5c, 10c, 19c set. Silver plated shoe buttoners, 5c each. Ladies' coin silver chatelaine watches, only $2.98 each. Aluminum hair pins, 7c, 16c and 24c doz. Side combs, 3c, 4c, 5c, 8c, 10c pair. Stick pins, 1c, 2c. 3c, 5c each.

## Hardware.

Pocket knives, 3c, 5c, 10c, 20c each. Razors, 48c, 56c and 88c each. Scissors, 10c, 19c, 25c, 42c each. Table knives and forks, 35c, 65c to $1.50 per set. Table knives only, 4c each. Paring knives, 2c each. Butcher knives, 8c, 10c, 24c each. Auger bits, assorted sizes, 10c each. Augur braces, 25c each. Nickle alarm clocks, warranted, 75c each. Coffee mills, 19c to 44c each. Curry combs, 4c, 10c each. Saw files, 2c, 3c, 4c each. New King air rifles, 88c each. Magnets, 1c and 2c each. Harness snaps, 1c each. Tea spoons, 3c ½ doz. Table spoons, 5c ½ doz.

## Hosiery.

Men's seamless mixed half hose, 5c, 8c, 10c. Ladies' heavy black seamless hose, 2 pair for 25c. Ladies' fleece lined hose, 13c, 22c and 24c pair. Boy's heavy bicycle hose, 16c pair. Children's seamless ribbed hose, 10c pair. Children's silk cotton hose, 6c, 7c, 8c pair.

## Underwear.

Children's white and grey cotton underwear, 9c, 10c, 12c, 15c, 20c to 32c the garment. Men's heavy white merino underwear, 39c garment. Ladies' ribbed vests and pants, 20c, 21c to 32c garment. Men's wool underwear, 69c, 88c, 98c to $1.19 garment.

## Gloves.

Ladies' black cashmere gloves, 13c, 19c, 24c, 39c pair. Misses' black cashmere gloves, 10c pair. Ladies' kid gloves, in black and colors, 69c, 75c, 85c, 95c pair. Men's and boy's lined gloves, 24c and 25c pair.

## Umbrellas.

Children's school umbrellas, 48c. Ladies' 26 inch, union twilled silk, fancy horn and celluloid handles, $1.39 each. Men's 28 inch Gloria umbrellas, nat'l wood sticks, $1.00 each.

## Piece Goods.

Black figured mohair, 35c yd. Black storm serge, 45 inch wide, 56c yd. 50 inch broad cloth, in garnet, mertle and navy, 60c the yd. 36 inch cashmere, 24c yd.

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Needles, 1c paper. Pins, 1c paper. Darning cotton, 1c card. Embroidery cotton, 1c spool. Embroidery silk, 1c spool. Hooks and eyes, 1c dozen. Bone buttons, 1c dozen. Shoe strings, 3 pairs for 1c. Shell hair pins, 3 for 1c. Wire hair pins, 2 packages for 1c. Corset lacers, 1c ea. Pants buttons, 1c dozen. Pants buckles, 1c dozen. Linen thread, 2 spools, 5c. Good machine cotton, 2c and 3c spool. Best machine cotton, 3 spools for 10c. Darning needles, 2c paper. Mourning pins, 1c box. White tape, 1c roll.

## Miscellaneous.

Comforters, 59c, 88c to $1.98. Blankets, 95c, 98c, $2.00 to $4.00 pair. Rugs, 78c, $1.98 to $2.75 each. Curtain poles, brass trimmings, 19c. Japanese 4 fold screens, handsomely decorated, $1.75 each. Telescopes, 50c to $1.10 each. Satchels, 39c to 99c each. 9 piece decorated chamber sets, $2.50 each. Cotton bats, 7c, 10c, 13c, 15c each. Wash tubs, 65c, 75c, 85c each. Wash boards, 10c, 24c each. Wood pails, 10c each. Washing powder, 3c package.

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| Coal oil, | 2c. qt. | Baby's shoes, | 10 to 25c. |
| Syrup, | 15c. gal. | Children's shoes, | 20 to 40c. |
| Best syrup, | 25c. gal. | Misses' shoes, | 25 to 50c. |
| 5 lbs. good cakes, | 25c. | Ladies' shoes, | 75c to $1.00 |
| Plug tobacco, | 4 to 8c. | Men's shoes, | 75c to 1.25. |
| Smoking tobacco, | 4 to 7c. | Boy's boots & shoes, | 50c to $1.25 |
| Window glass, | 3c. | Men's boots, | 1.50 to 2.00. |
| Putty, | 3 lbs. for 10c. | Ticking, | 9 to 15c. |
| Lamp globes, | 3 to 5c. | Outing flannel, | 5 to 10c. |
| Teaspoons, | 10c. set. | Table cloth, | 20 to 35c. |
| Tablespoons, | 15c. set. | Table oil cloth, | 12½ to 15c. |
| 2 foot rule, | 5c. | Blankets, | 50c to $1.00. |
| Best gun powder, | 25c. lb. | Horse blankets, | 90c to $1.00 |
| Shot, | 6 to 8c. lb, | Cotton flannel, | 5 to 10c. |
| Gun caps, | 5 to 8c. | Toweling, | 5 to 10c. |
| Boy's suspenders, | 5 to 10c. | Grain bags, | 15 to 20c |
| Men's suspenders, | 10 to 13c. | Plates, | 3 to 8c. |
| Men's socks, | 2 to 10c. | Vegetable dishes, | 10 to 25c. |
| Misses' black hose, | 5 to 8c. | Sugar bowls, | 10 to 35c. |
| Ladies' vests, | 20 to 35c. | Pitchers, | 15 to 35c. |
| School bags, | 10 to 15c. | Tureens, | 25 to 50c. |
| Shears, | 5 to 15c. | Valises, | 30 to 90c. |
| Rulers, | 1c. | Tubs, | 40 to 90c. |
| Tablets, | 1 to 5c. | Brooms, | 2 for 25c. |
| Pass books, | 1 to 10c. | Stove pipe, | 5, 10, 15 to 20c. |
| Buttons, | 1 to 5c. | Boilers, | 25 to 75c. |
| Men's work suits, | 75c. | Stone pots, | Cheap. |
| Ladies' collars, | 3 to 10c. | Butter pails, | Cheap |
| Ladies gloves, | 5 to 25c. | Lanterns, | Cheap. |
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